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EMPIRE FORCES OCCUPY THE DOCK AREA AT BASRA AFTER DRIVING OUT IRAQI TROOPS: SILENCE AT WILHELMSTRASSE: ROME WATCHING WITH INTEREST

EMPIRE FORCES HAVE OCCUPIED THE AIR PORT, DOCK AREA AND POWER STATION AT BASRA, AFTER DRIVING OUT THE IRAQI FORCES, states a Reuter message.

It is learned in London early on Sunday that a clash occurred in the Basra area between British forces and Iraqi forces. The latter were driven off by bombing and artillery.

THERE IS NO TRUTH IN THE GERMAN BROADCAST STATEMENT THAT INDIAN SOLDIERS SURRENDERED TO IRAQI TROOPS.

In addition to the flooding of Mosul oilfields, the Ankara Radio reported that Iraqi forces are now in control of the oil wells and their installations.

THE WILHELMSTRASSE IS OBSERVING OSTENTATIOUS SILENCE OVER EVENTS, ACCORDING TO BERLIN REPORTS QUOTED BY THE VICHY NEWS AGENCY.

AIR BATTLE OVER HABBANIYAH

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuter)—An air battle between British and Iraqi planes was fought over HABBANIYAH on Friday, according to news reaching here.

The Iraqi Government is known to have called up reserve officers of two classes.

Egyptians generally express regret at the outbreak of hostilities which they hope will soon be brought to an end.

Information received in London from Iraq states that a number of British aircraft were destroyed on the ground and some casualties sustained.

British bombers silenced a number of Iraqi guns firing at the British aerodrome at Habbaniyah.

The Iraqi Air Force unsuccessfully tried to raid the aerodrome on Friday. Shelling restarted this morning and the fighting is still in progress.

Nothing is known in London of anything justifying the Iraqi claim that they have repulsed the British attack on Rutba. That British tanks were destroyed on the aerodrome there, is certainly untrue.

During the last few days, the Iraq Government has posted troops round the British aerodrome at Habbaniyah. Trenches of huge guns were mounted on the edge of the desert plateau over-looking the aerodrome.

A request for the withdrawal of these troops was met by a despatch of further forces.

DEPRIVED OF NATIONALITY

VICHY, May 4 (Reuter)—The famous French dramatist, M. Henri Bernstein and Eve Curie, daughter of the late Madame Curie, discoverer of Radium, have been deprived of their nationality. Twenty-seven other people were deprived of their nationality at the same time.

Today's News Summary

AFTER DRIVING OUT the Iraqi troops, Empire forces occupied the air port and dock area at Basra. The Wilhelmstrasse is maintaining ostentatious silence over the events in Iraq while great interest is being shown in the Italian capital.

BRITISH NIGHT FIGHTERS set a new record on Saturday night when they accounted for 16 enemy raiders.

ON THE OCCASION OF the National Day of Poland, Mr. Winston Churchill, in a broadcast to the Polish people, paid tribute to the unflinching confidence of Gen. Sikorski and praised the prowess of Polish pilots.

THE AUSTRALIAN PRIME Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, is now on his way to the United States. In a broadcast yesterday he stressed the important war work being done by women in Britain.

CAPT. JAMES ROOSEVELT has arrived at Rangoon from whence he will proceed to Cairo where he will be military observer.

THE AUSTRALIANS ARE still holding stoutly the defences at Tobruk and the last enemy attack has definitely been brought to a standstill.

MR. WENDELL WILLKIE has again urged that the United States must set the goods to Britain.

U.S. SHOULD BECOME NAVAL BELLICERENT

BOSTON, May 4 (Reuter)—"Our best hope of avoiding a later battle and avoid desperate odds, is to become a naval belligerent now," declared the President of Harvard University, MR. JAMES B. CONANT in a nationwide broadcast today.

"The hour for action has been clearly struck," he said.

Mr. Conant described the idea that the war might be ended by a negotiated peace as "utterly fantastic to anyone who, like myself, has lately been in England."

NIGHT FIGHTERS SET UP NEW RECORD

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—British night fighters set up a record last night when they brought down 14 out of 16 planes destroyed, or three more than the previous best effort. Moreover, it is worth of note that the moon was barely in its first quarter.

Against this, planes of the Bomber and Coastal Commands carried out extensive operations over Norway, Germany and the French Atlantic coast during the night, without loss.

The heaviest raid was directed against Cologne, where thousands of incendiaries caused many fires and some of the R. A. F.'s most powerful high explosive bombs were used.

Raiders on a smaller scale were made on Essen, Düsseldorf, Rotterdam and Brest, where bombs were seen to straddle the battle cruisers Scharnhorst and Gneisenau.

Strasbourg, Boulogne and Le Touquet, were also visited.

During daylight yesterday, enemy shipping was harassed. One supply ship of 2,000 tons and another of 500 tons were sunk, and later in the day a 5,000-ton vessel was seriously damaged and probably sunk.

GERMANS WANT NICKEL MINES

BERLIN, May 4 (Reuter)—The Nazis are trying to get control of the Nickel Mines at Persano in Northern Finland which were wrecked during the fighting in Finland 18 months ago.

The German Foreign Office announces that negotiations are going on with the "partners in the mines" presumably, Finland and Russia, as it is understood that the mines were taken over by the Finnish State from Anglo-Canadian interests after the Russo-Finnish War and the Soviet is said to have claimed a controlling interest.

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CHURCHILL BROADCASTS TO POLISH NATION: TRIBUTE TO UNFALTERING CONFIDENCE OF GENERAL SIKORSKI

Polish Pilots' Prowess Against Nazi Hordes

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, the Prime Minister, broadcasting on the POLISH NATIONAL DAY, said that they were right to keep the day as a national holiday because the Constitution of 1791 was a pattern when it was framed of intelligent and political thought.

Neighbours in those bygone days saw in the adoption of this system the beginning of a regeneration of Poland. They hastened to perpetrate the partition of the country before the Polish nation could consolidate its position.

The same tragedy and the same crime was repeated in 1939. The Germans became alarmed at the success achieved by the Polish nation in setting its house in order.

They saw their aggressive designs would be thwarted by the growth of a strong and independent Polish State.

At the time of the brutal German attack, Poland had, in the face of tremendous difficulties, achieved notable progress during the 20 years of its revived national existence.

"To complete this work of national reconstruction, you needed and you hoped for a similar period of peaceful development. When the call came, Poland did not hesitate; she did not hesitate to risk all the progress that she had made rather than to compromise her national honour and showed her spontaneous response with the spirit of national unity and self-sacrifice, which has maintained her among the great nations of Europe through all her many trials and tribulations."

APPEAL TO DUTY

Mr. Churchill added: "I know from talks I have had with Poles in Britain, how magnificent the mass of the Polish nation has answered the appeal to duty in the hour of need. We in this country who are conscious of our strength, built on the broad masses of the British nation, appreciate and admire the Polish nation for its noble attitude since the outbreak of the war."

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Lord Beaverbrook Second-in-Command To Mr. Churchill

"The biggest political news this week was Lord Beaverbrook's resignation from the Ministry for Aircraft Production and his appointment as Minister of State, whatever that may be," said MR. E. A. MONTAGUE, B. B. C. political commentator when he broadcast from London yesterday.

Mr. Montague said that the office of Minister of State was entirely new and one that was unknown in British administration.

The appointment of Ministers without Portfolio was a common thing so that if Mr. Churchill wanted to keep Lord Beaverbrook in the Government, he could have appointed him as a Minister without Portfolio.

"What he has done now means that Lord Beaverbrook's appointment means something more," said Mr. Montague, "but we shall have to wait until the debate on the war in the House of Commons before we know the details."

"The newspapers here believe that Lord Beaverbrook's appointment shows him as being Mr. Churchill's second-in-command. His relation to the Government will be something like that of Mr. Churchill as Minister of Defence to the War Department."

WONDERFUL JOB

"In less than a year, Lord Beaverbrook has done a wonderful job of galvanizing aircraft production here. He has trod on many people's corns but he has

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Glowing Tribute To Britain's High Sense Of Duty

BHOPAL, May 4 (Reuter)—A glowing tribute to Britain's high sense of duty which prompted her to honour her pledge and to risk the sacrifice of her troops, was paid by the Nawab of Bhopal, who recently returned from a tour of the Middle East.

He added that if Greece had written another glorious page in her history, let us not forget to pay a just tribute to Britain, who deliberately went out of her way to risk the sacrifice of her troops for the sake of her word.

This is a noble deed indeed and will live in history for all time.

"Our soldiers have the will to victory. They have taken a measure of the enemy. When the present disparity of equipment which is telling so heavily against us removed, we will certainly gain an upper hand and once we do that, the end shouldn't be very far away."

The answer to the events in Greece and the Western Desert, is that we must stand firm.

PIN-PRICKING POLICY

TOKYO, May 4 (Reuter)—"It is a mere manifestation of British pin-pricking policy against Japan and causing no actual harm," shipping circles said commenting on the New York message reporting that Lloyd's has instructed the Marine Underwriters in Batavia to suspend further contracts of ships flying the Japanese flag in Far Eastern waters.

This same quarters pointed out that no Japanese vessel has been reinsured by foreign underwriters since last June.

NEW AIR SERVICE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4 (Reuter)—The Pan-American Airways California Clipper flew to Singapore to inaugurate the new service, via Manila.

Australians Are Stoutly Holding Tobruk

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The Australians are still stoutly holding Tobruk according to reports by Mr. E. C. Spender, Minister for the Army.

Reports state that the enemy captured the forward areas on an approximately three-mile front in the western perimeter, but a counter-attack by tanks compelled the section of enemy to withdraw.

Mr. Spender announced that after an analysis of the messages from General Sir Thomas Blamey, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of the Middle East, he estimates that some 12,000 British, Australian and New Zealand troops are not yet accounted for, following the Greek campaign.

Three thousand who were left on the beaches were mostly non-combatant and labour.

All nurses serving with the army were evacuated.

AT STANDSTILL

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuter)—"Although the enemy attack against the outer defences of Tobruk may be renewed, it was definitely brought to a standstill on Saturday afternoon when tanks withdrew in face of a vigorous artillery fire," states a British G. H. Q. communique.

"In the Sollum area, mechanised forces again carried out a successful raid, inflicting casualties and capturing prisoners."

"In Abyssinia, another important feature has been captured by our troops advancing upon Amb Alagi. In the southern districts, operations are continuing."

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5-Tides: High 5.58 a.m. and 3.07 p.m. Low: 7.58 a.m. and 11.07 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.49 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m.
St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work.

10 a.m. Annual Meeting of Mackintosh's Ltd., followed by Extraordinary, Alexandra Bldg. 5 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Bridge Drive. 8.30 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.).

Gork House, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
6-Tides: High 5.47 a.m. and 4.37 p.m. Low: 10.47 a.m. and 11.33 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.43 a.m.; Sunset: 6.33 p.m.

St. Andrew's Parish Social, Farewell to Dean Wilson, 8.45 p.m.
Urban Council Meeting, Post Office Bldg. 4.15 p.m.

Rotary Club Tiffin, H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m.
Prayer and Fellowship meeting, S. and S. Home, 8.30 p.m.

H.K. Philatelic Society Annual Dinner.
Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.

7-Tides: High 6.26 a.m. and 2.58 p.m. Low: 12.14 p.m.
Sunrise: 5.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.

Annual Meeting of Douglas Steamship Company, P. and O. Bldg. 11 a.m.
8-Tides: High 7.01 a.m. and 7.13 p.m. Low: 12.44 a.m. and 1.17 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.
H.K. Eugenics League, Gloucester Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Presentation to Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Jacobson Room, H.K. Hotel, 6.15 p.m.

St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

9-Tides: High 7.40 a.m. and 8.17 p.m. Low: 1.26 a.m. and 2.16 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.46 a.m.; Sunset: 6.43 p.m.
Intercession Service, St. Andrew's Church, 6.50 p.m.

10-Tides: High 8.18 a.m. and 9.18 p.m. Low: 2.04 a.m. and 2.58 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.46 a.m.; Sunset: 6.54 p.m.
Women's Advisory Committee of New Life Movement, Roller Skating Contest, Kowloon Skating Rink.

Softball League Dinner, Peninsula Hotel.
Fifth Extra Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club.

TWO MAGISTRATES COMMENDED

CHUNGKING, May 4 (Central)—The National Government yesterday issued a mandate commending Mr. Chang Tze-tso and Mr. Cheng Hsiao-yn, respectively magistrates of Changlo and Mengyin in Shantung, for their efforts in peace maintenance and defence of their districts against Japanese invasion.

Radio Programmes

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—I Can't Get You out of my Mind; Quick-Step—Hold Tight—Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

Tango—Cara Mari; Monika—Barnabas von Gecky and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Two Little Flies on a Lump of Sugar; Just A'wearyin' for You—Jack Jackson and His Orchestra.

Slow Fox-Trot—Little Gypsy of the Seven Seas—The Organ, the Dance Band and Me. Quick-Step—On the Isle of May; Waltz—When our Dreams Grow Old—Joe Loss and His Band.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Variety with Dorothy Dickson, Curtis and Ames and George Formby.

Vocal—The Window Cleaner (Cliff and others); The Lancashire Torador (Cliff and others)—George Formby and his Ukulele with Orchestra.

Vocal Duets—You Can't Pull the Wool over my Eyes (Ager and others); Cheer Up (Mayer)—Curtis and Ames with Piano. Vocal—"Crest of the Wave" (Hassall and Ivor Novello); If You Only Knew—Dorothy Dickson (Soprano); Why Isn't it You—Dorothy Dickson and Walter Crisham. Comedian—George Formby with his Ukulele and Orchestra.

Vocal—Accent on Youth (Film "Accent on Youth")—Curtis and Ames with Piano.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Dvorak—Quartet in A Flat Major, Op. 103.

1st Mov. Adagio ma non troppo—Allegro appassionato; 2nd Mov. Molto vivace; 3rd Mov. Lento e molto cantabile; 4th Mov. Allegro non tanto—Prague String-Quartet.

2.15 Close Down.

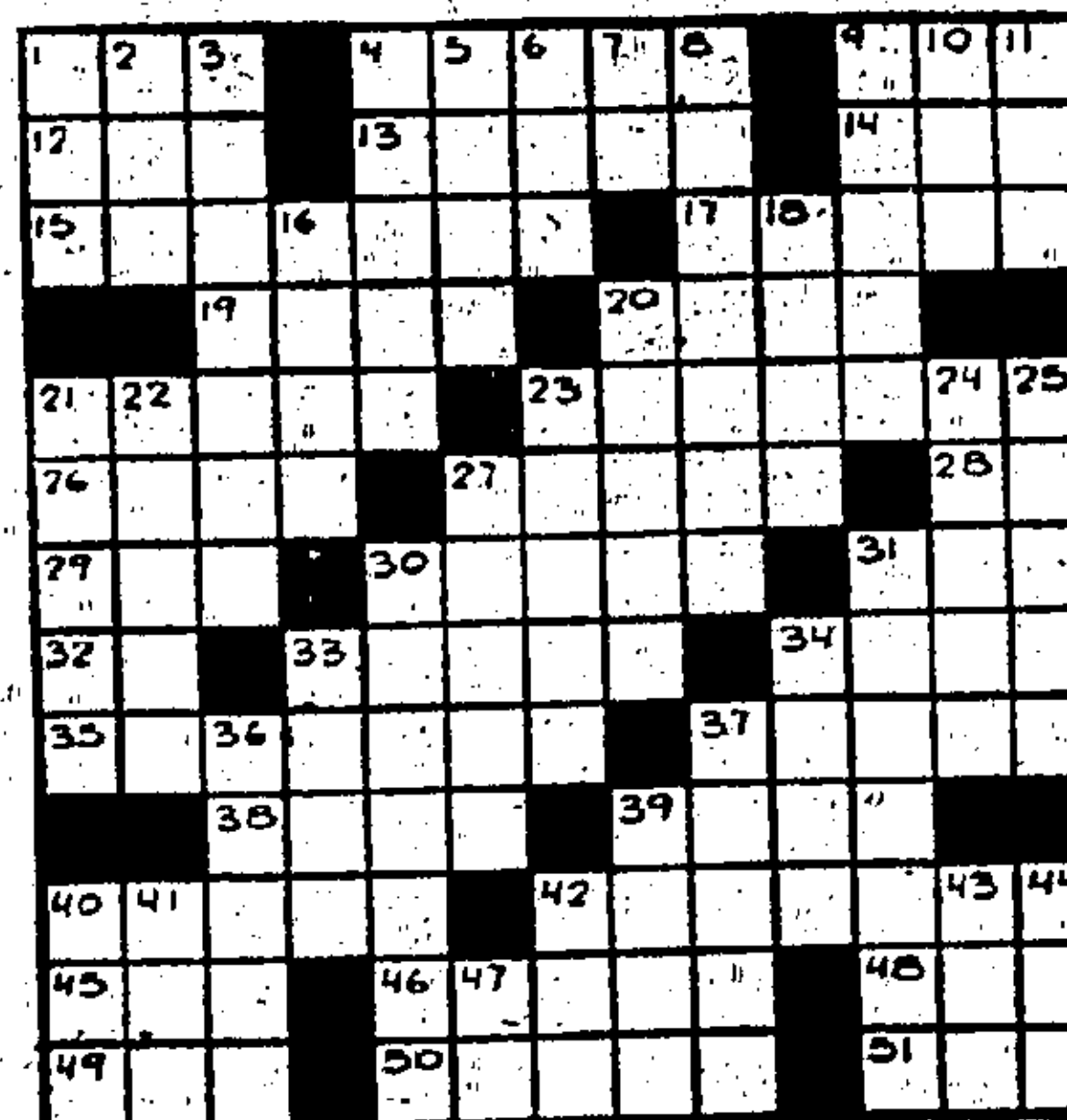
5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

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ACROSS

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4. Metric measure
9. Drinking vessel
12. Wander
13. Small orifices
14. Devoured
15. Prolific
17. Lessen gradually
19. Small islands
20. An infant
21. Measure of length
23. Pertaining to the side
26. Opposed to weather.
27. Lease again.
28. Negative reply.
29. Term of respect.
30. Bottles
31. Instigate
32. Toward
33. Celestial bodies
34. Escape
35. Narrow passages
37. Summons
38. Parts of curved lines
39. Principal garment of Hindu women
40. Adelina
41. Italian soprano
42. Depreciated suddenly
45. Raw metal
46. Ninth day before the Ides



DOWN

1. Fondle
2. Prior to
3. Larger
4. To thwart
5. Measures of weight
6. Unit of work
7. Prefix denoting again
8. Manors
9. Leap playfully
10. Indian
11. Through
16. Deep mud
18. Uphold
20. Assemblies for dancing
21. Spars
22. Pen-name of Mary Evans
23. Bends over
24. Spiritual being
25. Theatre boxes
27. Timalta
30. Proclaiming
31. An oval
33. Market
34. Agricultural tract
36. Prices
37. Motive
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42. Sheep, the nahoor
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44. Tinge
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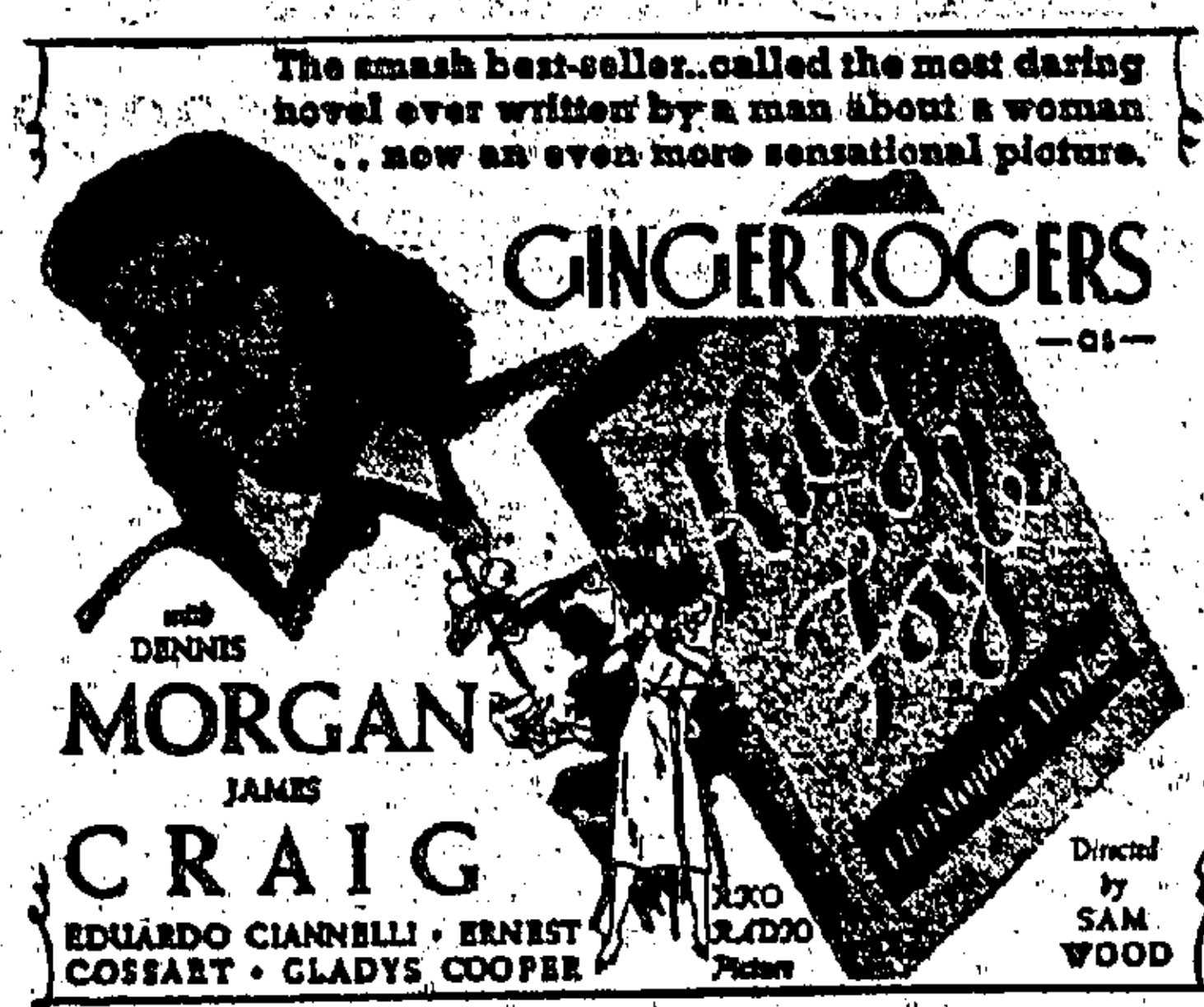
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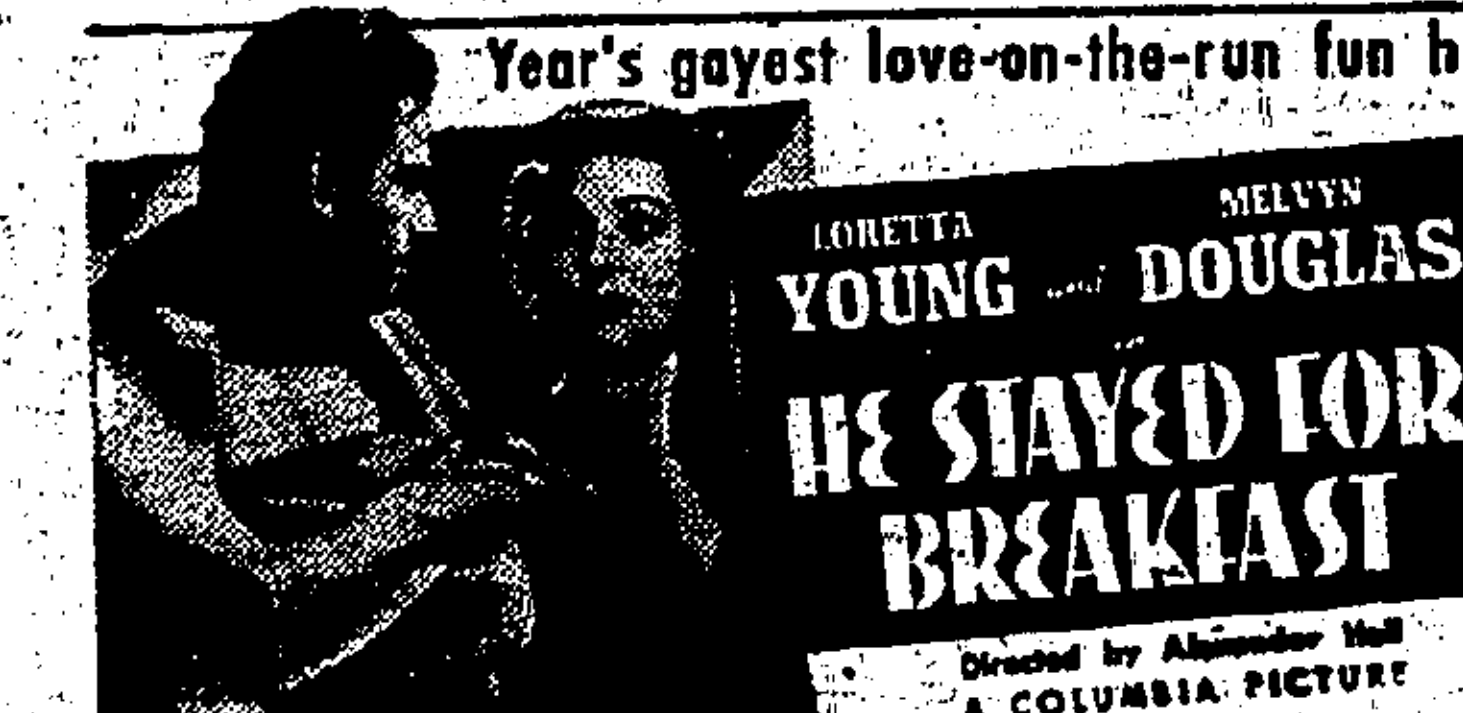
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Full Bulletin	9.00 p.m.
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do.	12.00 night
Trans. II & III—News Summary	7.30 a.m.
Full Bulletin	8.30 a.m.

"OUR LIBERTIES IN PAWN"

Although liberties were in pawn, the sacrifice was needed, said the Chancellor of Melbourne University (Mr. Justice Lowe) in a luncheon address at the University Union House.

New legislation had given the Government supreme power, over the people's liberty, persons and property, he said, but they must

support the Government so that it might continue to guarantee their rights in the future.

The great problem was on what terms liberties would be redeemed and how much of the old powers would be diverted back into the old channels after the war. In return for the privilege of a

University education, graduates owed the community a debt which could only be repaid by using their gifts in its service. Straight thinking, courageous criticism and willing co-operation for the social good were the means by which this obligation could be repaid, he added.

GALLANT REARGUARD ACTION OF ANZAC BRIGADE AGAINST BIG ODDS

Official Account Of Retreat From Greece

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—How a small Anzac force, fighting against a greatly superior enemy force, held a gorge in the region of Mount Olympus while the main body of the British Imperial Forces withdrew, is one of many tales of heroism which appear through the terse technical phraseology of the official account of the fighting in Greece published by the War Office.

In this "gallant rearguard action" about one brigade of Anzacs blocked the gorge against two German divisions—odds which can be roughly estimated at about 10 to one.

This is how the War Office tells the story:—

On April 15, a small New Zealand force which held the eastern entrance to Peneios Gorge, south of Mount Olympus, was heavily engaged by a greatly superior enemy force and driven back.

Next day two battalions of an Australian brigade went to its support.

This small Anzac force, of about a brigade group, fought two German divisions in Peneios Gorge. Its losses were heavy but the withdrawal was secured on our right flank.

EARLIER EPISODE

An earlier episode in the same account tells of an attempt by the Imperial forces to stop the rot which developed after the collapse of Yugoslav resistance in the south by barring German egress from Monastir Gap.

By the evening of April 7 the disaster to the Yugoslav forces was apparent and the threat to Monastir Gap had become a reality.

A small reserve, under a brigadier, consisting of a machine-gun battalion, and some medium artillery, was formed near Amintalon, south of Florina.

Next morning General Mackay was sent with his divisional headquarters, one artillery and one anti-tank regiment and an Australian brigade less one battalion, to augment this force, which remained in the neighbourhood of Amintalon to await the Germans.

On April 9 the Germans appeared south of Florina and hotly attacked General Mackay's force during this and next day.

HEAVY CASUALTIES

The Imperial forces inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy.

JAPANESE CABINET CRISIS?

SHANGHAI, May 4 (Reuter)—The Japanese Cabinet, which, according to the correspondent of the Independent French Agency, was to hold a special meeting yesterday, is expected in well-informed circles to take important decisions with regard to Japanese action in Indo-China.

The Soviet-Japanese Pact was expected to be violently attacked by the Japanese army and navy representatives who were to attend the Cabinet meeting.

The correspondent adds that the recent decision of Moscow to forbid the transit of war material is likely to give further weight to the arguments of those who oppose closer relations with the Soviets.

ENEMY AIR LOSSES IN THE MIDDLE EAST

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuter)—The R.A.F. destroyed 12 enemy aircraft in the Middle East in the week ending May 1.

This was lower than the previous week but the number of aircraft destroyed on the ground was considerable.

British losses in the whole Mediterranean area, Abyssinia and Malta were 10.

Oil tankers were destroyed at El Argub, 80 miles from Benghazi, while in the Sollum area heavy casualties were inflicted on German troops near Gambut.

In East Africa, the aerodromes at Benina and Derna were repeatedly raided with considerable casualties to troop-carriers and troops.

The aerodromes at Kombolcha, Macaca, Gimma and Fandeho were also raided.

Fifty direct hits were observed on an enemy fortress at the Pass of Falag.

NIGHT RAIDS

Four heavy night raids were carried out on Benghazi harbour.

During April 252 enemy aircraft were shot down by fighters of the Middle East Command, and British losses were 58 in the Western Desert. A total of 123 enemy aircraft was destroyed in East Africa against a loss of 54 by the R.A.F.

HUGE MANILA CONFLAGRATION: THOUSANDS RENDERED DESTITUTE

MANILA, May 4 (Reuter)—A huge area in the suburbs of Manila, near to the Pasay River, was devastated yesterday afternoon by a fire which swept out of control in a steady wind and rendered more than 6,000 persons homeless.

Flames were leaping hundreds of feet into the air, engulfing Filipino wooden houses at the rate of one a minute for several hours, and raging through timber yards along the river.

The United States 35th Infantry was turned out to assist the Manila fire-fighters to combat the flames, but there were neither enough fire appliances nor firemen to deal with a task of such magnitude.

At one time it seemed certain that a large hospital would become involved and 35 ambulances were prepared to carry away the patients, but when the situation seemed hopeless, the wind changed direction and the holocaust swept diagonally to the north along the Bay.

By a strange coincidence, it was exactly four years to the day yesterday when a fire of almost similar dimensions broke out in the same area.

REPEATED EXPLOSIONS

During the afternoon, repeated explosions, for no known cause, were heard from the centre of the great conflagration. A large party of firemen concentrated on saving a number of large petrol tanks in the danger zone.

Fugitives from the devastated area are being cared for by the Red Cross. Hundreds of them spent yesterday afternoon kneeling along the banks of the river praying.

ROME, May 4 (Reuter)—A decree issued here announces that Italy has annexed the north-west portion of Yugoslavia. The area will be ruled by a High Commissioner appointed by Mussolini. Official languages will be Slovene and Italian.

HEAVY AIR RAID ON MERSEYSIDE

Number Of Casualties Believed High

Two German bombers were destroyed by British fighters and two by anti-aircraft fire during Friday night, says an Air Ministry communique.

Another enemy aircraft was shot down by night fighters over an aerodrome in northern France, making five destroyed during the night.

Describing the attack on Merseyside as heavy and lasting for some hours, the communique says early reports suggest that that number of casualties may be large and that a substantial amount of damage was done.

EAST ANGLIA RAID

An attack was also made on a town in East Anglia, where a small number of casualties was caused and a considerable number of houses damaged.

Bombs were also dropped at other widely separated points but these did little damage and caused very few casualties.

Liverpool was the principal object of attack by bomber formations of the Luftwaffe, says the official German news agency.

Other German attacks, it adds, were directed against various towns on the south-east coast.

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SHANGHAI, May 4 (Reuter)—Nearly four months after his abduction, Pan Tse-chuen, commander of Jardine's, has been released and is now en route to Hongkong, stated the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury yesterday. The paper adds it is believed a large sum, probably \$1,000,000, was paid as ransom to the kidnappers.

BATAVIA, May 4 (Reuter)—Dr. van Kleffens, Foreign Minister, and Charles Welter, Colonial Minister in the Netherlands Government in London, who went to Sourabaya on May 1, are expected to arrive in Sydney on May 12, accompanied by J. H. Riltman, the Government spokesman, says a Japanese report quoted by Reuter.

EXTENSION OF CONFLICT TO PACIFIC

Rumours Played Up By Batavia Press

BATAVIA, May 4 (Reuter)—Rumours that the European war might soon extend to the Pacific were played up by the Batavia newspapers yesterday, especially in view of reports from the United States indicating America is determined to carry out aid to Britain to the fullest extent, even at the risk of war, says a Japanese report.

Citing the United States decision on the neutrality patrol system and the German threat to sink all ships in combat zones, the "Bataviasche Nieuwspaper" predicts that fighting between the United States and Germany may take place sooner than generally expected.

The Java Bode says that if the United States enters the war Japan will then be forced to fulfil her obligations as a military partner of the Axis powers.

MASS AIR RAID ON CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, May 4 (Reuter)—The Sino-British Boxer Fund Board building was demolished and the press hostel badly damaged at noon yesterday when 81 Japanese aircraft subjected Chungking to the first bombing this year.

The raiders rained down bombs on the downtown district and the western suburbs.

The Japanese aircraft, in spread formation, rained bombs across the city without interference from Chinese fighters, which did not appear though anti-aircraft fire was very heavy.

The western suburbs were particularly heavily bombed. Several fires were started but all were quickly controlled.

H.M.S. DIAMOND LOST IN ACTION OFF GREECE: CASUALTIES FEARED HIGH

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The British destroyer Diamond, of 1,375 tons, formerly on the China Station, and Wryneck, 900 tons, were attacked by German dive-bombers and sunk during the evacuation of Greece, states an Admiralty communique.

On the night of April 25/26, 13,500 men were withdrawn from the Raphis and Nauplia areas. A transport loaded with troops was bombed and set on fire, and Diamond at once went to the rescue.

The destroyer was continually attacked from the air but she picked up 600 men.

Diamond was joined by Wryneck and the latter rescued 100 men, and then the Diamond torpedoed the burning and wrecked transport as she was a danger to shipping and a torch for dive-bombers.

Next morning both destroyers, having left Nauplia, were attacked by dive-bombers and sunk.

It is feared casualties were heavy, though 50 were picked up by a third destroyer and at least one boat is believed to have reached the Greek shore.

"ALMOST A MIRACLE"

Dunkirk had come to be regarded as the greatest combined evacuation operation in the history of warfare but in Greece the Navy had to go in and take out, almost with any protection against dive-bombers, 45,000 men, said the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander, in a speech yesterday.

"I regard it as almost a miracle that in this last evacuation we lost only two destroyers," he said.

CRITICAL PERIOD

Britain was now facing the early days of the most critical period of the war, he continued, and had to meet new problems in the Atlantic and the Mediterranean, and even in the Persian Gulf.

Faith in the ultimate result was strengthened by the resources of the growing arsenal in the United States, and he seemed to see signs they were coming near the time when, if necessary, the United States would throw the whole of her weight into the struggle.

There was solid ground for faith.

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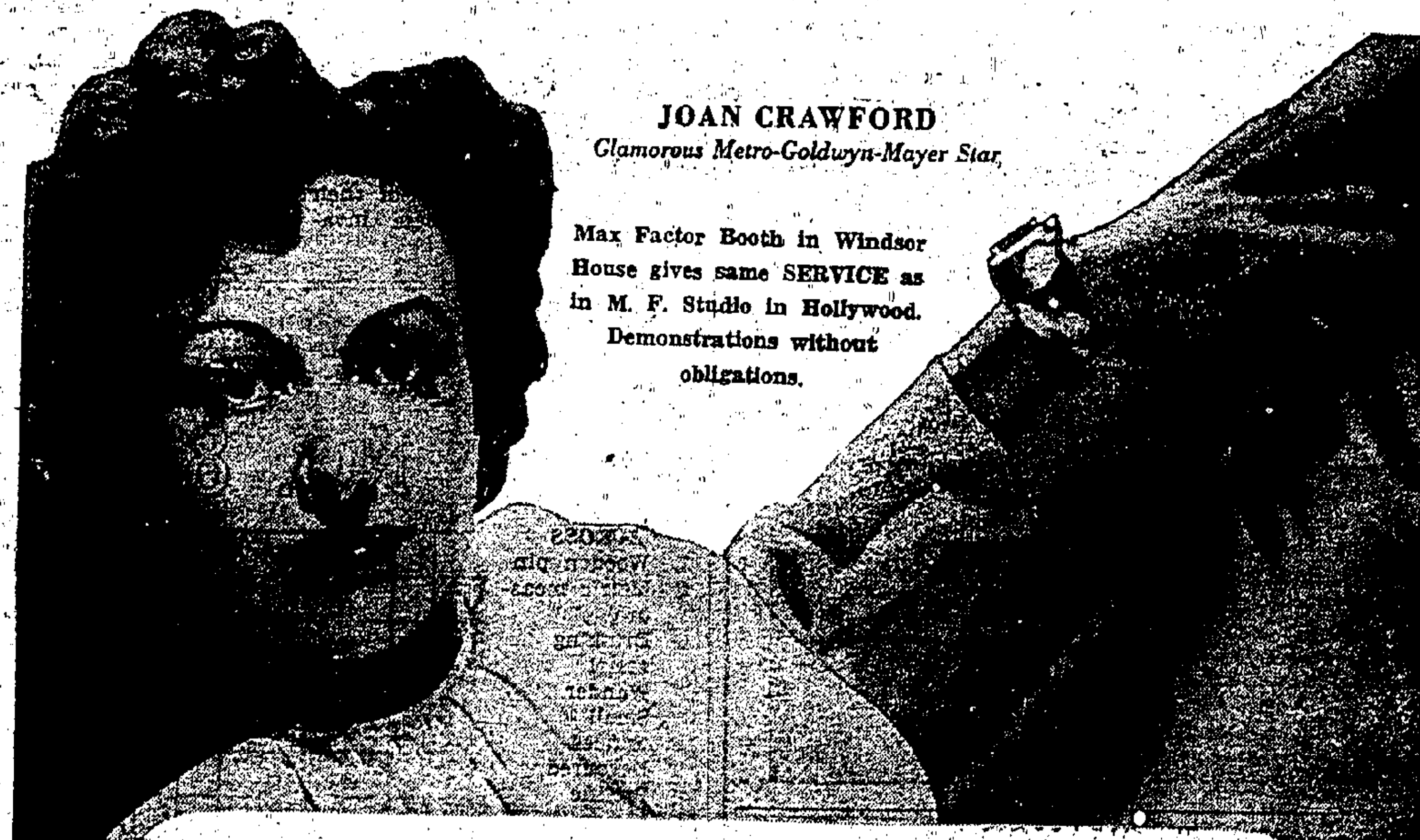
LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The 158th anniversary of Poland's constitution was celebrated by Poles all over the world yesterday, except in Poland itself, where all manifestations of national life have been suppressed.

Centre of the celebrations of National Day this year is Britain, where are concentrated the Polish Government, Polish army units and many Polish refugees.

A special Mass was said early yesterday morning at Westminster Cathedral.

The Polish President, broadcasting, expressed gratitude and admiration to the British Commonwealth and to the American Democracy, "whose great President puts all the powerful moral and material forces of the United States on the side of justice in this decisive struggle."

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—Pan Badoglio, son of the former Chief of General Staff of the Italian armed forces, Marshal Badoglio, was killed in action during an air engagement in North Africa on Thursday, reports the German radio quoted by Reuter.



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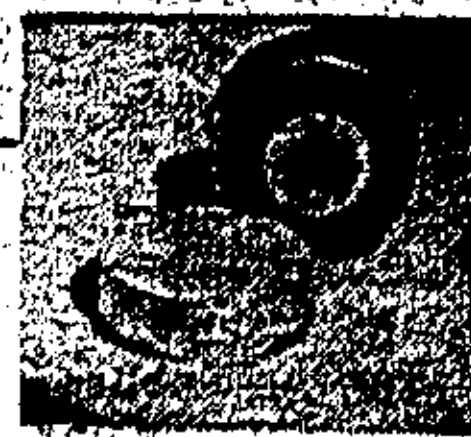
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GOVERNMENT ASSUMES RICE MONOPOLY

The Hongkong Government is assuming a monopoly of all rice imports and exports primarily as a war-time measure, according to a notification just issued.

The notification states:—

The rice position, both in Hongkong and Shanghai, has been most unsatisfactory for some months past, speculation in the commodity having been rife and profiteering impossible of adequate control. Generally, prices obtainable for rice in Shanghai, or other districts to which re-exports were made from Shanghai, were so unreasonably higher than the controlled prices fixed in Hongkong that it was only a matter of time before the local domestic price level reached parity with the export market rates, and such operations recurred with frequency.

It became obvious that only joint control by the Authorities of both Ports could be effective in preventing as far as possible, further exploitation of the rice consumer, and assist in the maintenance of steady markets at sources of supply.

To this end the Hongkong Government and the Shanghai Municipal Council have negotiated an arrangement providing that rice supplies destined for the International Settlement, Shanghai, should be exported exclusively to the Municipal Council there, who will now become the direct importers of such supplies and effect their distribution to retailers.

It is thus hoped that the rice situation, as affecting both Ports, will soon be regularised and the consumer be in a position to purchase the commodity at reasonable prices.

HIGH PRICES

Because of the excessively high prices of rice to local consumers, uncertainty of future supplies and increasing scarcity of shipping facilities, the Hongkong Government, with the approval of the

Secretary of State for the Colonies, intend assuming a monopoly of all rice imports and exports at the expiration, on the 31st May, 1941, of the current licensed importation scheme set up under the Essential Commodities Reserves Ordinance of 1939. The monopoly is to be a war time measure only, but its continuance for some time after the conclusion of hostilities may prove necessary.

Due to the comparative shortage in the last rice crop in Thailand, the exportable surplus of which dropped to 60 per cent. of the previous year's crop, and the uncertainty of obtaining regular rice supplies from other sources, increasing reliance on Burma is necessitated for the supply of the domestic requirements of Hongkong and its entrapment trade, and as a consequence, the local consumer who, in the past, has largely favoured Thailand rice, will now have no option but to consume more of the Burma product.

SHANGHAI PRICE SOARS

CHUNGKING, May 2 (Central).—The rice situation in Shanghai took a turn for the worse yesterday when the price rose to the record high of \$150 per picul, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

The uncheckable mounting cost of the staple is intensifying the suffering of the people there and renewed outbreak of rice riots is feared.

Rumours spread by unscrupulous manipulators to the effect that the Hongkong Government has banned the export of rice to Shanghai are said to be responsible for the confusion in the rice market and the resultant rise in price.

CHINESE YOUTH DAY LUNCHEON

SIGNIFICANCE OF MOVEMENT

The Canton University held a luncheon at the Cafe Windsor yesterday to commemorate the historical Chinese Youth Day.

Mr. Robert Lai, chairman of the Students' Association, addressed the gathering on the meaning and history of the day. He said that the movement flared up at the beginning of the Chinese Republic when Chinese students were first conscious of oppression by foreign Powers, internal corruption and the rise of capitalism.

Japan, at this time, taking advantage of the fact that other Powers were occupied, imposed the notorious 21 demands on China.

MOVEMENT STARTED

Realising that the peril was approaching, Chinese youths, especially students, started a movement, known as "May 4" to fight against unequal treaties and internal corruption. Despite pressure exerted by the Government, students carried out demonstrations, strikes and propagandist work. The movement proved to be a success and remained a historical event.

In conclusion, Mr. Lai paid warm tribute to the forerunners and encouraged his fellow-students to keep up the remarkable spiritual standard which had been set for them.

Mr. P. O. Chen, President of the University, Prof. N. Huang and Mr. Y. K. Chan, Dean of the College of Public Affairs, also spoke.

STREET GUARD RECRUITMENT

Brisk recruiting of Street Guards is going on in order to fulfill the proposed 1,200, which will be required to patrol the 74 roads and streets in six-hour shifts in the event of an emergency.

To date 1,040 have signed up. Of the 900 of these on the register of the Commissioner of Police, only 500 are actually on the duty roster, patrolling 41 roads and streets on the Island and the Mainland. The rest have not been assigned to duty owing to lack of uniforms and equipments.

I.O. APPOINTMENTS RELINQUISHED

The Government Gazette of May 2, contained the notification that the following have relinquished their duties as Assistant Immigration Officers:—

Robert Martin Anne Poinsett, Walter Hanming Chen, Charles Young.

P.T. Display By Heep Yunn School Pupils

Pupils of all grades of the C.M.S. Heep Yunn School, turned out en masse to give a physical training display in the grounds of the School at Matakok, near Kowloon City, on Saturday afternoon.

The exhibition, at which a fairly large attendance was present, was opened by a mass march past by all the participants, following which Mrs. W. K. Cheung, Principal of the School, made some opening remarks.

THE PROGRAMME

The display was:—"How do you do, my partner?" and "Oats, Peas and Beans" by Primary I; "Children's Circus" and "Shoemakers' Dance" by Primary II; "Soldiers' March" by Primary III; "German Hoppping Dance" by Primary IV; "Chinese Boxing" by Primary V and VI; "Reap the Flax" by Junior Middle I; "Mazurka Reel" by Junior Middle II; "Pipe Dance (Free Movement)" by Senior Middle; Stunts and Mass Drill.

FINISHING TOUCH TO A.R.P. TUNNELS

The A. R. P. Department is giving the finishing touch to the already completed air raid tunnels. Some tunnels are now being "lined" and "walled" with reinforced-concrete slabs and beams to prevent caving in.

The tunnels are to be lighted with hurricane oil-lamps and equipped with medical supplies and first-aid materials and latrines are to be constructed inside and outside of them.

Sino Labour Dispute Almost Settled

The two-week-old labour dispute over wages in the Chinese iron and steel foundries has come to its final stage of settlement, it was learned.

Only in one foundry has work been disrupted for five days, while in the other moulders continued work while the matter was being discussed between their representatives and those of the employers.

The death occurred on April 25, at the Paulun Hospital, Shanghai, of Jose Ignacio da Cunha, (Chinese Maritime Customs, retired) aged 64 years. A Requiem Mass was held at the Church of Christ the King, on April 28, and was followed by burial at the Bubbling Well Cemetery.

FUNERAL OF MR. F. J. BROWN WAS WITH C.P.R. 25 YEARS

The funeral of Mr. Frederick James Brown, who passed away at the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday morning after a long illness, took place in the afternoon at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley. The Very Rev. Fr. G. M. Spada, assisted by the Rev. Fr. Rossello, officiated.

The late Mr. Brown, who was 51 years of age, was connected for more than 25 years with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. He leaves a widow and five children, and is survived also by his mother, two brothers and three sisters.

The widow, Mrs. J. C. Brown, and her five children were the principal mourners, and among those present were Messrs. Edward and Arthur Brown, brothers of the deceased, Mrs. Rull, and Mrs. Xavier, sisters, and other relatives.

OTHERS PRESENT

Others who followed the funeral procession were M. P. dos Remedios, Mr. L. G. Remedios, Mr. A. Barros, Mr. J. Barros, Mr. F. Osmund, Mr. W. J. White, Mr. J. P. Pomeroy, Mr. F. C. Laurel, Mr. F. Mendes, Mr. and Mrs. F. X. Remedios, Mr. C. M. Correa, Mr. M. A. Gomes, Mr. F. Marques, Mr. A. R. Osborne, Mrs. Henry Brown, Mrs. A. Garcia and family, Mrs. Laurel and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. Costa, Mr. F. P. Laurel, Mrs. C. Mattos, Mrs. Matthias and family, Mr. G. Kelly, Miss R. Pinna, Mr. L. M. Remedios, Mr. J. Marcel, Mr. A. Souza, Mr. I. Silva, the Misses Barros, Mr. V. Mendota, M. B. Silva, Mr. L. Silva, Mr. F. Vieira, Mr. E. Lawrence, Mr. W. Howard, Mr. J. W. Leonard, Mr. P. Castilho, Mr. Soares and many others.

Wreaths were sent by "Your Sorrowing Mum", "Your Sorrowing Wife and Children", Betty and Arthur, Henry, Irene, Grace and Thelma, Alfred, Bertha and children, Heredia and Edward, Bernice and Ronnie, Mary, Alex and family, Alice, Joe and family, Jennie, George and Irene, Lisa and family, Betty and Dick, Richard and Lisa, Thelma, Gufom and Cynthia, Mrs. Nado and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Laurel and family, Mrs. E. Neves and sons, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. White, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Mars, Capt. and Mrs. J. T. Thirlwell, Mrs. C. Leonard and family, Tang Chienpan, Female Prison Staff, and the staff, Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

SUCCESSFUL TENDERERS NOTIFIED

The following names of successful tenderers are notified:—For supply of uniforms to Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force, April, 1941, to March, 1942—Messrs. Chan Tuk.

For messing of Chinese volunteer ratings, April to June, 1941—Messrs. Ah Bo.

For shipping and painting H.M.S. Cornflower, 1941—Messrs. Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.

For maintenance of way and structures in 1941-42—Messrs. Chan Hing, Ngai Foon and Wong Choy.

For oils and greases—Messrs. Standard-Vacuum Oil Co., Messrs. Asiatic Petroleum Co. (South China) Ltd., Messrs. Texas Co. (China) Ltd., Messrs. William C. Jack & Co. Ltd.

For making uniforms for the Railway Department—Messrs. A. Lee.

For making uniforms—A. Man Hing Cheong and A. Lee.

For Bowen Road main—Messrs. Hume Pipe (Far East) Ltd.

For labour, provisions, stores, etc., H.K.V.D.C.—Messrs. Kung Hing.

For H.K.V.D.C. motor cycle shed at Hungthom—Mr. Wong Choy.

New J.P.s.

The following have been appointed Official Justices of the Peace:—

Messrs. D. J. N. Anderson, F. E. E. Booker, G. T. Lowry, J. P. Pennafather-Evans, F. F. W. Shaitain, Dr. Dean A. Smith and Dr. S. Tomlinson.

The following have been appointed Unofficial Justices of the Peace:—

Messrs. S. V. Boxer, L. Forster, P. Cockchin, Dr. G. A. C. Herklotz, Messrs. M. A. Johnson, Kwok Chan, Lee Yu-cheung, S. E. Lloyd, Lo Tung-fan, Ng Chak-wa and Dr. J. T. Smalley.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS AT CENTRAL

B.N.D. COOLIE GAOLED

Mak Kim, 36, coolie, appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., on Saturday on charges of larceny of 20 files, two chisels, a pair of pliers, four pieces of solder and a quantity of scrap brass to the value of \$25 from the Royal Naval Dockyard, and possession of a file dagger fit for an unlawful purpose.

Defendant had been employed as a labourer for five years at 64 cents a day.

He was sentenced to four months' hard labour on the first charge and one month on the second, the terms to run concurrently.

TRASPASSED IN BARRACKS

Alleged to have been found in the dressing room of a bath at Victoria Barracks, Lam Ngau-leung, 26, odd job coolie, was charged before Mr. Sheldon on Saturday with trespassing.

Pte. Davidson, of the Royal Scots, testified that defendant on seeing him produced a War Department pass, which, however, did not entitle him to be inside the dressing room.

A fine of \$50 or one month's hard labour was imposed.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison was in charge of the case.

HEARING FIXED

A head arsenal coolie, Chan Chiu, 38, was charged before Mr. Sheldon on Saturday with larceny by servant of one bar of tin and a quantity of solder to the value of \$80 from the Wellington Barracks.

Three other arsenal coolies, Ma Ping-pui, 24, Au Kin, 27, and Ho Kwan, 20, were charged with receiving the stolen property.

All pleaded not guilty except fourth defendant and the hearing was fixed for 2.30 p.m. on May 15, \$50 bail each being allowed.

Mr. C. Y. Kwan is appearing for first defendant and Mr. J. M. D'Almeida Remedios for second.

ARMED HIGHWAY ROBBERY

Wong Hung, unemployed and of no fixed abode, was sent for trial on two counts of armed highway robbery and Chiu Chu, unemployed, on one count by Major A. N. Macfadyen on Saturday, when committal proceedings of the cases were concluded.

It was alleged that Wong and Chiu robbed Cheung Yam-chi, 36, clerk, at the point of knives, of a rolled white gold pocket watch and chain, a jade appendage, a fountain pen, a string of jade beads, a jade bangle and \$15 in money, to the value of \$78, at Yiu Kui Lane, Sutherland Street, on Apr. 5, and Wong robbed Tang Yuk-chuen, of \$12 at Queen's Road West on Apr. 8.

Det. Sub-Ins. F. W. Fowles prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

SOLDIER DISCHARGED

Hearing of the case in which Thomas John Milroy, of the Mid-diesex Regiment, Tsang Wing-fuk, and Lo Lai-tong, were charged with demanding money with menaces from the villagers at Kowloon City on several occasions, was concluded before Mr. Anderson on Saturday when Milroy was discharged while Tsang and Lo were convicted.

Mr. Anderson remarked that Milroy gave a straightforward story stating that he had been requested by Tsang to act as a Solicitor and to help to collect debts from the villagers.

Mr. Anderson said there was a reasonable doubt and Milroy should be given the benefit of the doubt. Tsang was fined \$500, or four months' hard labour, while Lo was fined \$300 or three months' imprisonment.

I. O. COMPLAINANT

Three junk masters and nine junk mistresses appeared before Mr. Anderson on Saturday on a charge of approaching a ship when it was lying the H over N.N. flag.

It was stated that the Immigration Department had made complaints to the Police to the effect that boatmen often boarded the ship before the arrival of the officers of the Department.

SEVEN MONTHS

Appearing on remand before Mr. Anderson on Saturday, Liu Chung-

po, 25, was charged with attempting to snatch a handbag with contents, valued at \$19, from Mrs. S. Kemp, of No. 4B, Hart Avenue.

Accused was additionally charged with breach of a deportation order.

Seven months' hard labour was imposed.

Sgt. Fyffe was in charge of the case.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Alleged to have thrown pepper in the face of Chan Tin-yu and robbed him of a purse, containing \$4, a bunch of keys and a whistle with chain attached, Tang Ki, 20, Mak Fong-shing, 18, and Ho Fuk, 26, were charged before Mr. Macfadyen on Saturday with robbery by two or more.

Det.-Sgt. N.B. Fraser, prosecuting, said that about 7.45 p.m. on Apr. 16, Chan went back to his home at No. 8, Battery Street. As he was mounting the stairs, he saw two men coming down the stairs and also another man following him.

The man behind suddenly seized him and one of the men coming down threw pepper at his face. As he was forced to close his eyes a man took from his pocket the property stated in the charge.

First two accused were arrested on information in Shanghai Street by a Chinese detective on Apr. 21. Last defendant was arrested on the following day, at No. 10, Temple Street.

At an identification parade Chan recognised first accused as one of the men who came down from the stairs on the day in question.

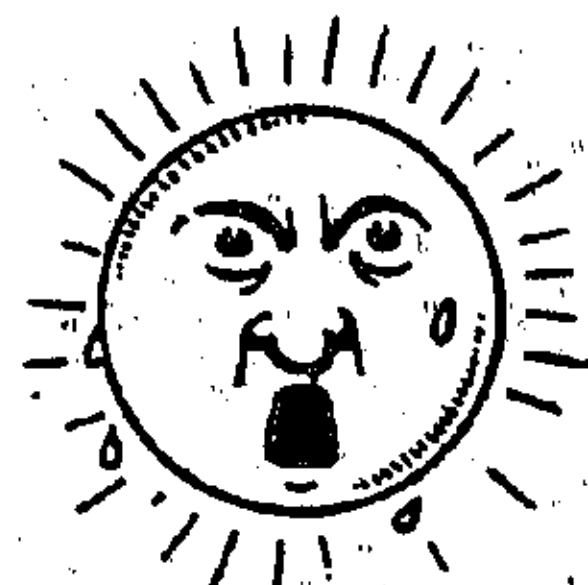
After evidence, accused were committed to the Criminal Sessions.

D. O. SOUTH

POSSESSION OF TREE WOOD

Three men, Fan Sin, Yau Sau and Ling Yung, were bound over in the sum of \$10 to be of good behaviour for one year, when they appeared before Mr. S. F. Balfour on Saturday charged with the possession of 70 catties, 70 catties and 80 catties, respectively, of wild tree wood at Castle Peak Road on May 2.

An Wa, who was arrested with 100 catties of wild tree wood in his possession and who had one previous conviction, was fined \$10 or two weeks' hard labour, while Ng Yung, with two previous convictions, was fined \$25 or alternatively, three weeks' hard labour.



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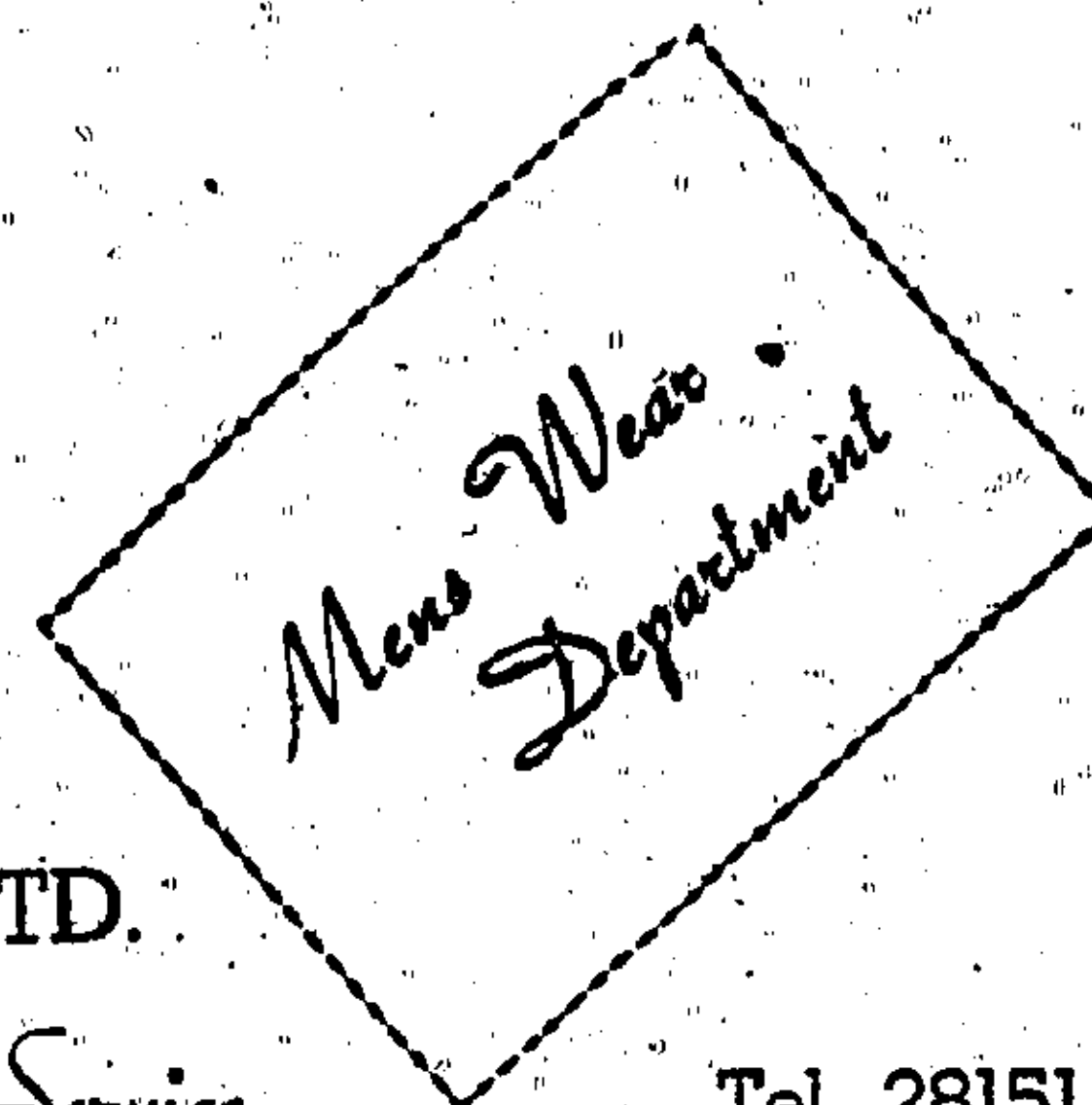
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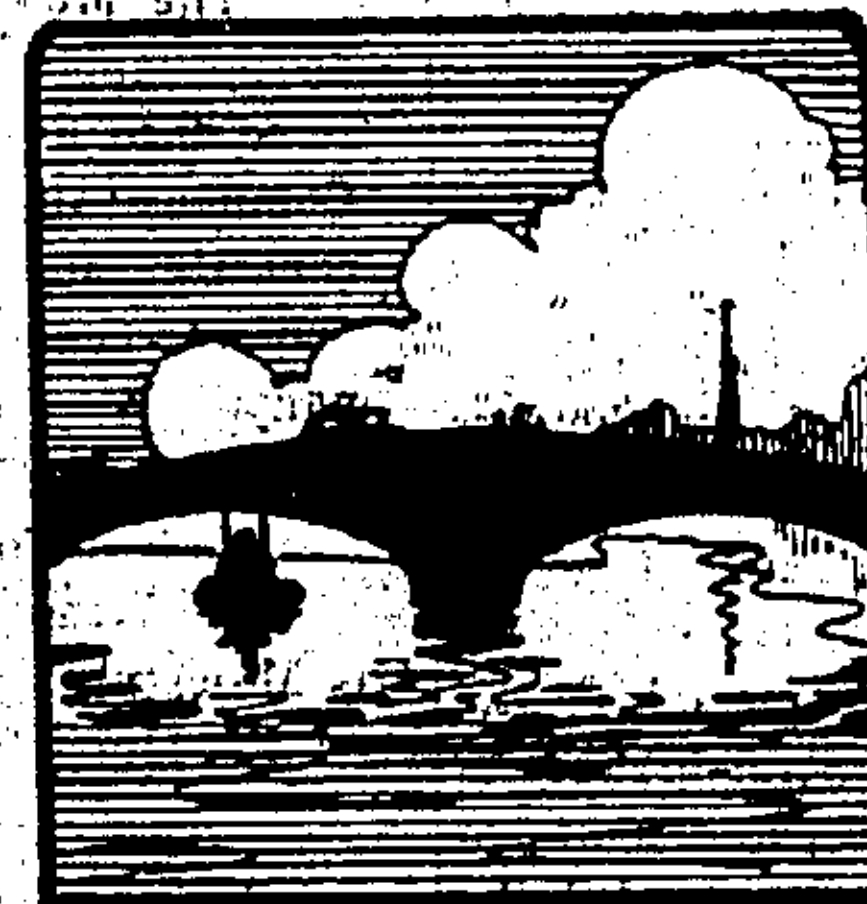


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STANLEY V. BOXER,
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30th. April, 1941.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventeenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office at the Jordan Road Ferry Pier, Kowloon, on Saturday, 17th May, 1941 at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the Board of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1940.

The transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 7th to 17th May, 1941, both days inclusive.

LAU TAK PO,
Managing Director.

Hong Kong, 1st May, 1941.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 21st May, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 2nd. May to Wednesday, the 7th. May, 1941 both days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 24th. April, 1941.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC.

TENDERS for DOLLARS current in this Colony, for telegraphic transfer, on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, up to and for the sum of £150,000, will be received by the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, until 10.15 a.m. on the 5th May, 1941.

The tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling). No telegraphic transfer will be made for less than £100, but tenders for sums above that amount to suit the convenience of the tenderers will be considered.

The tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed covers, addressed to the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, and endorsed 'Tenders for Government Bills, etc.'

The right is reserved (1) to accept or reject any or all of the tenders, and, in particular (2) in case of equality of rate between tenders amounting in all to more than the total sum required, to give preference to any tenders received from Government institutions or from the bankers to the Treasury Chest.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

Persons tendering for (Bills) are hereby notified that having regard to the provisions of the Acts 22 George III Cap. 45 and 41 George III Cap. 52 the acceptance of any such Tender is subject to the express condition that no Member of the British House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part in or to any benefit to arise from the Contract thereby made for the allotment of such (Bills).

The provisions in question do not apply to Contracts entered into by any incorporated Company in its corporate capacity and made for the general benefit of the Company.

N. FORDE,
Colonel, R.A.P.C.
Treasury Chest Officer,
His Majesty's Treasury Office,
Hong Kong.

YUNNAN DETERMINED TO RESIST

The determination of Yunnan to resist any possible Japanese invasion was voiced by General Lung Yun, Chairman of the Yunnan Provincial Government, in a speech delivered at the 30th anniversary meeting of the National Tsinghua University.

Gen. Lung declared that irrespective of the Japanese moves in south or the north, he has followed them with the closest attention. If the Japanese should dare to encroach upon Yunnan, he asserted, as the responsible official of the Province, he is resolutely determined to resist such an encroachment.

Gen. Lung assured his audience that in the event of an emergency arising on the Yunnan border, he would consider it his first duty to afford adequate protection to all the government universities removed here from other parts of the country.

General Lung remarked that in view of the remarkable progress now being made in the fields of political and military affairs, it is by no means impossible that the 31st anniversary of the University may be held at its original seat in the Old Capital. (Central News).

The death occurred on April 20, in his 68th year, at The Country Hospital, Shanghai, after a brief illness, of Tobias Thurnher of Obama, Japan. Funeral services (cremation) were held in the Bubbling Well Chapel on April 23.

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CONSTRUCTIVE CHANGES

THE BRITISH CABINET changes which were announced last week have been heartily welcomed, not because there was any pandering to the critics, who find reasons where none exist for demanding that fresh blood is necessary to meet every development in the progress of the war, but because it anticipates the more sensible view that production should be keyed up to keep pace with the increased tempo of the hostilities. Regarded in this light, the changes are primarily constructive, and while the constitution of the War Cabinet itself has not been outwardly altered, the Press at Home makes the point that the re-arrangement is a partial admission by the Prime Minister of the advisability of having a smaller body in full control so as to be able to deal with problems in a quicker and more clear-cut manner. In view of the forthcoming debate on the war situation this week—a debate which, it is confidently felt, will concern itself more with the technical and industrial side of the war rather than with criticism of the military programme—Mr. Churchill's move has borne out his own advice of the need there is to maintain a sense of proportion in the present situation and members of Parliament have been given a guiding factor on which their views should now be based.

ONE of the most important aspects of democratic rule is the limitations which the administration has to work under in bringing about changes in ministerial appointments in order to heighten the productive and industrial effort and in taking such action as is calculated to make this possible. Always the feelings and opinion of the people, as expressed by their representatives in the House of Commons, have to be given every consideration before such action is made absolute. This is where the Totalitarian states hold an advantage, since dictatorships make it possible for the heads of these states to decree what they want without any reference to public opinion and any decision taken by them is, in nearly every instance, ruthlessly put into action, by force if necessary. In order to overcome this disadvantage, the British Government itself has advisedly shelved many constitutional rights in order to expedite action in a situation of emergency, but frank criticism of its policy and constant endeavours to meet the wishes of the public still form an integral part of British administration.

THE GREATEST interest is, of course, taken in the appointment of Lord Beaverbrook as Minister of State. As Minister for Aircraft Production, Lord Beaverbrook's work has been described as dynamic and his new office is regarded as being an expression of the Prime Minister's confidence in a figure whom

DANCE HALL LICENCE FEES REVISED

The cost of licences of public dance halls is varied under an amendment published in the Government Gazette.

From a comparison with the Miscellaneous Licences Ordinance of 33, the schedule of which has been amended, it appears that a new policy has been adopted inasmuch that dancing halls are now classified according to districts—the most populous or central being charged more for licences—instead of grouping all dance halls under a flat annual fee of £120.

NEW SCHEDULE

The new schedule is:
Public dance-hall (in Victoria) graded as follows:

Central District.—The area bounded on the north by the Harbour, on the east by Arsenal Street, on the South by Queen's Road East, Garden Road, Upper Albert Road and Caine Road, and on the west of Ladder Street and Cleverly Street—annual licence \$1200.

Western District.—The whole of the City of Victoria to the West of Cleverly Street and Ladder Street and to the north of Bonham Road—annual licence \$600.

Wanchai District.—The area bounded on the north by the Harbour, on the east by Percival Street, on the south by Leighton Hill Road, Morrison Hill Road, Gap Road and Queen's Road East, and on the west by Arsenal Street—annual licence \$300.

Public dance-hall (in Kowloon or New Kowloon) annual fee \$500.

Extension of time in Victoria, Kowloon or New Kowloon \$20 for an hour and \$50 for two hours.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced at the Registry, Supreme Court, on Saturday:—

Gunner John Gilmore, of the Royal Artillery, Stanley Barracks, and Miss Irene Yit-hoy, of No. 234 Electric Road;

Mr. Albert Edward McDonough, store accountant, War Department, of No. 41 Morrison Hill Road, and Miss Agnes Mary Dains, nurse, of the French Hospital;

Mr. Chin Kai-shan, student, of No. 2A Cleverly Street, and Miss Chow Nun-ying, student, of No. 64 Bonham Strand East.

Mr. Lee Shing-tin, merchant, of No. 173 Wing Lok Street, and Miss Luk Soo-mei, of No. 265 Jaffe Road;

Mr. Henry William Ky-ling, merchant, of No. 542 Nathan Road, and Miss Pearl Han, of No. 13 Nga Tsin Long Road.

he has come to look upon as his second-in-command. No indication has been given of the scope of Lord Beaverbrook's new duties, but his release from an office which was concerned with only one phase of war production must be taken to mean that he will be given authority, as the Daily Mail dramatically puts it, to throw himself into the battle wherever it is hottest. In other words, Lord Beaverbrook, as Minister of State, will hold carte blanche to bring about a speed-up of production in every sphere, whether it be in the turning out of aircraft, tanks, guns and other materials necessary for the prosecution of the war. To achieve this successfully, complete industrial conscription will become more and more necessary and, despite the minority opposition to such a sweeping measure, particularly where women doing war work are concerned, the common sense view of the necessity will ultimately prevail, even if it means the disappearance of trade unionism for the duration of the war.

CORRESPONDENCE

RELIEF FOR NIGHT SOIL COOLIES

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir,—May we trespass upon your columns to appeal to the charitable minded of Hongkong to give donations to form a relief fund for the night soil coolies who are unemployed as the result of Government taking over the night soil removal, pending their re-absorption by the Urban Council or other employment.

We should like to make it clear that donations are invited on the following terms:—

That the Body responsible for the relief will have complete discretion as to what relief should be given, and in particular the Relief Body shall have full discretion in refusing aid where the applicant for relief is not making any bona fide efforts to obtain employment, e.g. by registering with the Urban Council for employment as soon as a vacancy occurs.

Whilst relief will be given to the extent of the financial resources available, on the lines stated above, should there be any ultimate balance remaining, we are to have full discretion, in consultation with the Hon. the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, to donate such balance to charities instead of returning the same to the donors.

The Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital have kindly undertaken to administer the Relief Fund.

Pending the receipt of public donations an advance has been obtained through the good offices of the Hon. the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, which has been rendered available at once to the Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital.

All donations should be sent either to the Chairman, Tung Wah Hospital, or to Mr. Li Tse Fong, c/o The Bank of East Asia, Ltd., who will issue acknowledgments thereof.

Through the courtesy of the Press it is hoped to publish in due course a complete list of subscriptions.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT KOTEWALL,
M. K. LO,
W. N. T. TAM,
LI TSE FONG,
and
FUNG CHI YING,
Chairman, Tung Wah Hospital.

BURNING OUT OF "SQUATTERS"

The Editor, H. K. Daily Press
Sir,—May I, through the medium of your columns, express the feeling of horror and disgust I felt over the recent burning out of the "Tai Hang" village by our so-called Sanitary Department Officials.

I, as one of the semi-initiated understand that at the present moment we, the Democracies, are fighting to rid the World of such barbaric acts as this, and yet, in so small and (so far) quiet and peaceful colony as Hongkong, the masses are subjected to such vile and unspeakable treatment, which to say the least is uncivilized.

May I in conclusion say that, if by any chance the person and/or persons responsible for this outrage should read this article, he, or they will at least offer an excuse, if any (which I very much doubt) to the public, via your esteemed columns.

DISGUSTED (SOLDIER)
P. S.—Accommodation will of course be provided to the victims by the Sanitary Department Officials.

I CHAN SYSTEM PROGRESSING

Rapid progress of the I Chan (courier) transportation system has been made since its introduction last autumn.

Under the National I Chan Transportation Administration, nine trunk lines, measuring over 9,000 kilometres and traversing various provinces, have been opened while 34 branch lines, measuring a total of 8,000 kilometres, have also been inaugurated.

When the I Chan system was first started in September last year, only about 2,000 tons of goods were transported in the course of the month, but in March this year the total amount of goods transported reached over 17,000 tons. (Central News).

Seven cases of cholera, five of enteric fever, four each of diphtheria and measles, and one of dysentery and 21 of tuberculosis were notified to the local Health authorities on Friday.

NEED FOR HITTING ENEMY MORE EFFECTIVELY BY DAYLIGHT RAIDS

"The Royal Air Force has been hitting the enemy hard and often by night, but it has often been recognised that before we can double our defensive power, we must also hit the enemy by day", said MAJOR OLIVER STEWART, M.C., A.F.C., B.B.C. aviation expert, when he broadcast from London on Saturday on the war in the air.

"As our bomber strength builds up, the time is coming nearer when we shall be able to do so", continued Major Stewart. "During the past week there were raids carried out by members of the Bomber Command who used the twin-engined Blenheim for their attacks, but one sortie was made by a Stirling machine."

TOO BIG A RISK
"The Stirling looks as big as a house. I remember seeing one standing by some houses at the edge of an aerodrome and it completely dwarfed the buildings."

Major Stewart said that the Stirling was primarily a night bomber and one did not expect a machine of that size to be able to tackle a fighter because it was too slow. Consequently, one would not expect such a machine to go out over Germany by day, as by doing so it would run too big a risk.

In the one instance which one of the machines did go out, it took advantage of the cloudy weather to fly over enemy territory. When the clouds broke, this machine formed a big target for anti-aircraft fire but had been able to do its work accurately and had luckily got back without damage or casualties.

DAYLIGHT RAIDS

"That kind of sortie cannot be expected to happen often," continued Major Stewart. "The daylight operations of these machines were mainly concerned with enemy coastal shipping and attacks were delivered on these by both the bomber and the coastal commandos."

"Very often in these daylight raids our bombers meet enemy fighters and have to fight their way through and engage in a running fight all the way home. "So two kinds of bombing raids have to be differentiated. There is the under-cover kind when there are clouds and there is the open-air kind. But there is no doubt that the open-air kind of raid is apt to be more costly and that is why we are now sending high-flying bombers."

"The daylight bombing raid is a job that takes a lot of courage on the part of aircraft crews. No time, the night bomber is having a harder time, but we will be able to take a heavier toll of the enemy don't climb or manoeuvre so well."

NEW SETTES

Thomas Ferguson has been re-assigned from the Combatant Group to the Key-Posts Group in the H.K. Defence Reserve.

Mr. Ernest Hillas Williams has resumed duty as Crown Counsel and has been appointed a temporary additional Judge of the Supreme Court.

Chief Inspector Archibald Henry Elston has been appointed to act as Assistant Superintendent of Police as from May 1, 1941.

"How I became a Christian" was the interesting subject of a talk delivered by Mr. K. S. Lee at the Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group in the West Lounge last evening.

The figure representing the average opening rate for the month of April, 1941, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for demand drafts on London is settled at 14.88.

A meeting of the Urban Council will be held at the Post Office Building on Tuesday, May 6, at 4.15 p.m. Besides the Regular Returns nine applications for licences will be considered.

The Chinese Vice-Consulate at Suva and the overseas Chinese on the Fiji Islands, Australia, have remitted £1,188 and 10s. to the National Government in aid of the war of resistance, and have addressed a message to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek paying respects.

The Government Gazette contains the lists of 110 official Justices of the Peace and 172 unofficial J.P.s.

Mr. Aw Boon-haw, well-known overseas Chinese industrialist, has sent a delegate to Yunnan from Hongkong with \$50,000 to relieve the refugees.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Gatten of Shanghai have announced the engagement of their daughter, Vivienne, to Mr. Raymond J. Picciotto, son of Mrs. R. Picciotto of Cairo, Egypt.

Mr. Revi Alley will address the Hongkong Rotary Club at its weekly meeting tomorrow on "Three Years of Industrial Co-operative Work in China". The meeting on the following Tuesday, May 13, will be a closed one.

James Joseph Celestine McDonaid has been re-assigned from the Combatant Group to the Key-Posts Group in the Hongkong Defence Reserve. William Joseph Carroll, Walter John Grant, William Forsyth Smith and Alexander Crawford have been permitted to quit the H.K.D.R.

The following have been appointed Public Vaccinators: Misses Kwong Si-yu, Ip Yan-tak, Li Chung-tung, Choy Suk-han, Wong Chung-ye, Yuen Yuen-ye, Lau Tak-ching, Tsam To-kin, Wan Yik-ying, and Liu Yik-ying.

THE WAR AT SEA: POSITION OF BATTLE OF ATLANTIC TAKES A TURN FOR THE BETTER

"We now have a much clearer picture of the position in the Atlantic than we had a week ago, and it seems possible that we may soon have an official British review of the whole position in that area," said MR. H. C. FEATHERBY, B.B.C. naval commentator, when he broadcast from London yesterday, comparing the position of the Battle of the Atlantic with the last war.

Mr. Featherby, referring to the sinking of British merchant ships by German U-boats and surface raiders, emphasised the necessity of withholding such details as might prove useful to the enemy. The British successes hitherto, in protecting the passage of convoys, were due to the fact that the enemy was kept in ignorance of the details of sinkings.

IMPORTANT STEPS

"But he can still continue his campaign," said Mr. Featherby, "and our anxiety to know what is happening must not allow us to assist him in renewing his efforts. We have, therefore, taken important steps which will add to the difficulty of the enemy."

"The Government has decided that information of losses of ships shall be made public only once a month instead of once a week. This will make it hard for the Germans to know where and how successfully these ships were attacked. We should realise that when the next figures of losses are announced, the change of system means that we shall get figures for thirty days instead of seven—that is to say that the total would be much bigger than what we have been accustomed to in a week."

"The figures of sinkings during March were 98,000 tons for the first week, 145,000 tons for the second week, 72,000 tons for the third week, and 77,000 tons for the fourth week. The losses, therefore, ranged from 72,000 tons to 145,000 tons for each week's total. If you add them together you will get a total of 392,000 tons."

TURN FOR BETTER

"Now, 392,000 tons will seem to you a lot more than you have been accustomed to receive, but you must remember that when the April figures are announced, they will represent four weeks' sinkings—and, if you will divide the total by four, you will get the figures to which you are accustomed. We should understand this point clearly as otherwise the monthly total may give the impression that our losses have increased enormously and that things have taken a turn for the worse in the Atlantic."

"So far from taking a turn for the worse, things in the Atlantic have taken a decided and, I may say, a decisive, turn for the better. The decision of the United States to extend its naval patrol is a big factor in our favour. It puts the Germans in the most extraordinary dilemma. Will the people of the United States allow the sinking of one of their warships to go unpunished?"

U.S. PATROLS

"This patrolling work is much bigger work than most people realise," continued Mr. Featherby. "Most people visualise it as a

patrolling done by a policeman on beat in the street. It is a far bigger thing and Admiral Stark has told the world that these patrols will operate from high latitudes down to the Antarctic—that means about 10,000 miles.

"It will take a ship steaming at 30 knots 30 days to go from end of the patrol to another and the west to east limit is 2,000 miles from the shores of America."

"The whole area of the patrol is something like 20,000,000 square miles and anywhere in that area Nazi raiders may be at work."

SOUTH ATLANTIC INCLUDED

"It is worth mentioning that Admiral Stark included the whole of the South Atlantic in these patrols. Most people thought that they would be concentrated only in the North Atlantic. But you must remember the decision of the President that American ships may now travel to the Red Sea. To get there, American ships will, presumably, travel round the Cape of Good Hope."

"That means that they will have to travel within the South Atlantic, taking in their circuit, the Port of Dakar."

"The strategic importance of Dakar has not been lost sight of. It was a most valuable assembly port in the last war, but then the control of Dakar was in the hands of our Ally, France, and there was no likelihood of a German seizure of that place. Today there is such a likelihood even though it is small."

"One question being asked by people today is: how many U-boats are there in the Atlantic? The same question was asked in 1917-18 and then the total was far smaller than anyone outside realised. It seemed then that hundreds of U-boats were at work, but actually the highest number to work at sea in one month was 51. The average was not more than 21 U-boats at work one month."

"I don't know what the figure in this war is, but the Germans have not been able to build as many U-boats as they did in the last war."

"All this must not suggest to you that the Battle of the Atlantic is not serious. It is, and until we get our losses down to the early figures of this war, we have no reason to suggest that we have already won the Battle of the Atlantic."

"SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT
"We are getting convoys in far greater numbers than we realise, and the total carrying capacity of ships that have moved in convoys so far is 300 million tons."

"There is one more aspect of the Battle of the Atlantic," concluded Mr. Featherby. "We have amalgamated the work of shipping and transport, and this means that the details of planning will now be made by the Government. In fact it was the same old problem of the last war and there are exact parallels with the criticisms that have been made in the past few months."

NAZI REPORTS ON FIGHTING AT TOBRUK

ENEMY TRIBUTE TO IMPERIAL FORCES

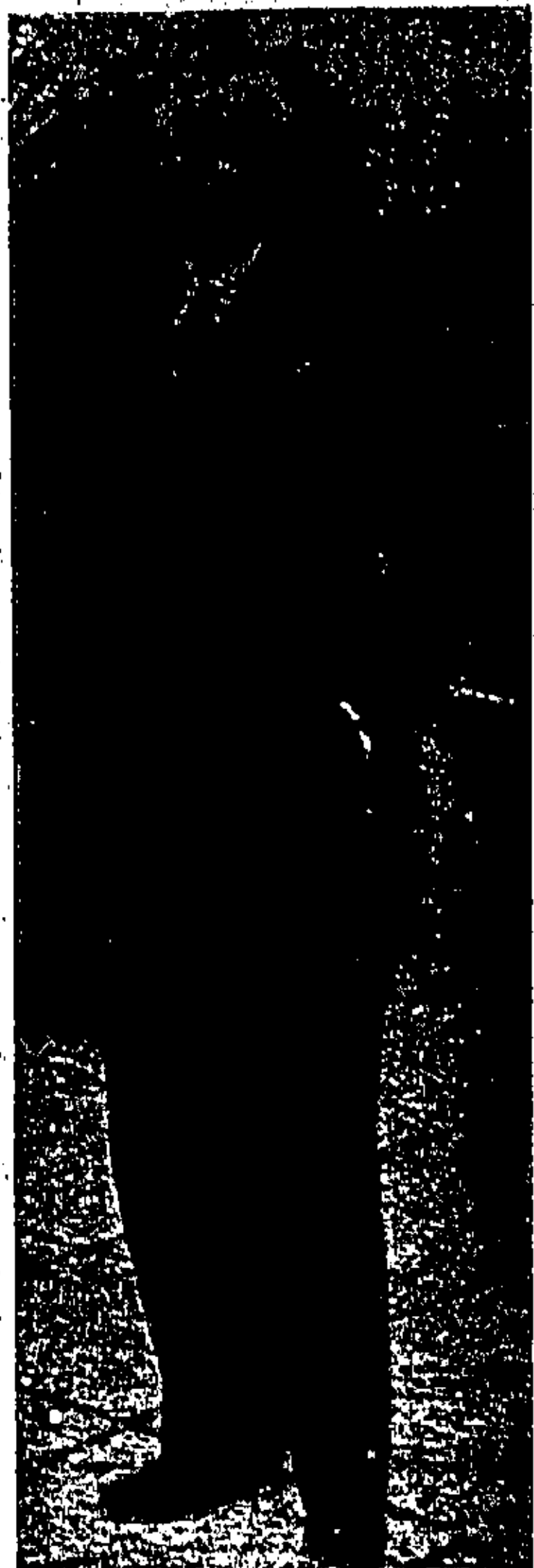
LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The magnificent way in which the Imperial forces at Tobruk are fighting is elicited from the tribute in the latest German reports of the action from the night of Apr. 30 to May 1 as published by the official German news agency.

The agency says: "A strong German attack on the outer defences of Tobruk on the night of Apr. 30 resulted in a penetration of nearly two miles. Australian troops offered strong resistance, even after the Germans had pushed through and stubbornly attempted to defend the isolated dugouts."

The agency speaks of the repulse of several British counter-attacks and claims the capture of many prisoners and several armoured cars.

The message concludes by referring to the British bringing up reinforcements and heavy British artillery fire.

INFORMED HOUR BY HOUR



LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—President Inonu of Turkey is being kept informed hour by hour of the situation in Iraq according to the Lyons Radio.

ROYAL FAMILY AT VARIETY SHOW

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—King George and the Queen, with the two Princesses, enjoyed a hearty laugh yesterday at a variety show for the troops "somewhere in Britain."

Stage and film comedian George Formby was the principal artiste. The Royal party joined with the audience in singing a number of choruses.

WILLKIE SAYS

Must Get Goods Delivered To Britain

WASHINGTON, May 4 (Reuter)—"We have got to get the goods delivered to Britain and the administration's sea patrol is inadequate," said Mr. Wendell Willkie at a Press conference. "The rate of sinkings is so serious that we should protect our cargoes of food and arms to England."

SINO-AMERICAN CO-OPERATION

CHUNGKING, May 4 (Reuter)—Closer Sino-American co-operation is expected here as a result of the latest international developments.

Following this disclosure, the list of supplies which the United States is sending to China under the air programme has already been received in Chungking.

Reuter learns authoritatively that two American aviation experts are arriving here on May 15. Their names have not yet been disclosed and it is not known how long they are remaining.

NEW RECORD

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The Air Ministry frankly states that the raid on the Mersey estuary was "very heavy and sustained. Reports indicate that the number of casualties is likely to be large. Much damage was done."

MUCH DAMAGE

Although considerable damage was caused during the attacks on the South and North-East coast towns, casualties were not heavy. Elsewhere in Britain, though bombs were dropped at many points, damage was not great and the number of casualties not large, says the Air Ministry communique.

British night fighters took a swift toll of the raiders. Four German bombers were shot down before midnight. Altogether 12 were destroyed during the night. This brings the total of German bombers destroyed over Britain during the first three nights this month to 18.

ON OTHER SIDE

R. A. F. bombers took part in a raid on the other side of the

SITUATION IN BAGHDAD REPORTED TO BE QUIET

Swift R.A.F. Retaliation For Habbaniyah Shelling

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—It was learned that fighting is still continuing in Iraq. The R.A.F. retaliated against the Iraqi troops shelling Habbaniyah and silenced some of the guns.

Basra is quiet but there is no news of conditions in Baghdad. Habbaniyah is the only place where actual operations have occurred.

With reference to reports that attempts have been made to interfere with the Mosul oilfields, it is pointed out in London that plans to meet such an emergency were prepared long ago.

All is quiet in Baghdad, according to information received from the British Ambassador there, Sir Kenahan Cornwallis. It was officially stated in London yesterday.

While the situation there is tense no incident hitherto has occurred.

Appeals to the Iraqi people to take up arms against Britain have been broadcast by Baghdad radio according to a message to the Vichy news agency.

DROME BOMBED

Iraqi planes on Friday night bombed the R.A.F. aerodrome at Habbaniyah, according to a communique issued in Baghdad quoted by the Vichy news agency.

The communique continues: "Enemy planes flew over Rashid camp near Baghdad at 10.50 this morning and bombed troop concentrations. Later another group of planes again bombed the camp."

Another Baghdad communique states the oil wells and refineries at Kirkuk, Hanikin and Gayra have been seized as well as stations along the pipeline.

The position of the Iraqi Legation in London is not affected. It is understood only part of the Iraqi army is fighting the British.

IRAQI COMMUNIQUE

An official communique issued by the Rashid Ali Government in Baghdad, as reported by the official Italian news agency, claims that an attempt by British motorised troops to seize a desert aerodrome and post at Rutbah, in Iraq, was repulsed.

Rutbah is opposite the Syrian Desert, some 220 miles east of

Baghdad, and is an important post on the air and land route from Palestine to Iraq.

Advices reaching London from Jerusalem state that Arabs in Palestine have heard with surprise broadcasts emanating from a station purporting to be Baghdad.

ALLEGED DISTURBANCES
This station is broadcasting a highly coloured account of the military situation in Iraq and also some vivid accounts of alleged disturbances in Palestine.

Since people in Palestine are aware there have been no such disturbances, they are receiving the news broadcast by this station with amusement and incredulity.

CANTONMENT SHELLED
British Wireless adds that before the Iraq hostilities were started against the British aerodrome at Habbaniyah, the Iraqi forces had previously surrounded the cantonment and dug themselves in on high ground. The cantonment was heavily shelled and our aircraft retaliated with action against the Iraqi artillery silencing some of the guns. Fighting continues but is confined to this area.

In Basrah, all is quiet, and no recent news has been received from Baghdad.

Regarding reports of preparations by the Iraqis to cut off the oil supply through the pipe line to Haifa, no information has reached official quarters in London on this matter. It can, however, be said that if such action were taken, it would not materially affect the situation of the British Forces in the Ne. East, whose supplies are adequate and fully safeguarded.

South African troops for Egypt

CAPETOWN, May 4 (Reuter)—General Smuts, the South African Premier, revealed in the Union House of Assembly yesterday that Britain had asked South Africa to send to Libya the troops in Abyssinia as soon as they could be released.

The Union, said General Smuts, had agreed and in addition portions of the South African Air Force were already moving to Egypt.

General Smuts declared: "We are going to use our troops in Egypt and take part in that campaign to the fullest of our resources."

"The setback which has been suffered by the British forces in Libya presents us with a task with which we shall have to grapple."

CAPT. ROOSEVELT
CHUNGKING, May 4 (Reuter)—Captain James Roosevelt left on Saturday morning by air for Kunming en route for Rangoon after a short stay in Chungking.

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—Capt. Roosevelt arrived at Rangoon today by air from Chungking. He will continue to Cairo, where he will act as an observer.

WAR EQUIPMENT
LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—According to Colonel Frank Knox, the United States Navy Secretary, United States production of war equipment will be greater than that of any other nation within 90 days.

LUFTWAFFE LOSSES
OVER BRITAIN
LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—For the week ending May 3, 17 German aeroplanes were destroyed over or round the coast of Britain.

No British aircraft was lost in the same area during the period, been seen leaving for their objective.

LONDON ALERT
London had a raid alert last night, the first for several days. Later gunfire was heard in the London area.

BURNING OF SQUATTERS' HUTS: LETTER SENT TO GOVERNMENT

BY A STAFF REPORTER

In a special interview with the Hongkong Daily Press on Saturday, HON. SIR ROBERT KOTTEWALL, Chinese Member of the Executive Council, was asked whether, in view of the growing resentment against the high-handed methods adopted by the "health" or "sanitary" department officials when clearing out squatters' settlements, the Chinese representatives on both Councils intend to take this matter up with Government.

Sir Robert replied, "Immediately after I read the account in the Hongkong Daily Press, on Friday, I wrote to the Government inquiring whether it was true that the household goods, in addition to the squatters' huts, were destroyed by the health or sanitary department."

Shown copies of the letters received by the Hongkong Daily Press—one of which was published in our issue of Saturday—in which the burning of the huts, without previous notice to the occupants, was strongly condemned, Sir Robert, when asked for his opinion of the method adopted, said, "I am sorry but I have to refrain from making any comments until I am in possession of all the facts."

Sir Robert was then asked whether he had heard that whatever was saved by the squatters from their huts was snatched away and thrown back into the fire by the raiders."

Sir Robert, despite his usual equanimity, was mildly shocked on hearing this. He said, however, that he had not heard and sincerely hoped that it was not true.

Feelings of pity for the squatters, mingled with incredulity that what happened did actually happen, were evident in Sir Robert's voice when he discussed the matter with the pressman.

MONEY DISTRIBUTED

About 5 p.m. on Saturday, a Chinese gentleman, dressed in foreign-style trousers and a sports shirt, was seen at the squatters' settlement, Tai Hang Village, distributing money to those whose huts, and worldly possessions, were destroyed by the fire last Monday afternoon. He refused to reveal his identity, in spite of repeated requests for his name made by the squatters.

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, left England last night for the United States and Canada, after a long and useful visit.

MENZIES SAYS

Women Conducting Vast War Organisation

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—"If someone asked me to say quickly what my outstanding impression of Britain is today," said MR. R. G. MENZIES, the Australian Premier, in a broadcast, "I would think of many things: Mr. Churchill, the resolute and supremely eloquent embodiment of the British fighting spirit; the splendid boys in blue of the R.A.F., the factories surrounded in some cases by the work people's shattered homes, roaring out their busy answer to the enemy—but above all, of Britain's women."

"Is it possible that not long ago we thought of them as the weaker sex in the passive role of 'men must work and women must weep'?"

"But what do we find now?" "Women conducting a vast war organisation with conspicuous success and also achieving amazing marvels in war workshops. It marks the beginning of a new era which will usher in enormous social and other changes about which we can only speculate."

"From the Queen, whose cheerful and brave smile has brought comfort to thousands of people in wrecked homes, down to the humblest woman of the East End, the breed runs true."

GLOOMY PEROGATIVE
"The next generation of Britain may have mothers who have forgotten how to swoon in times of crisis, who no longer cling to the man as ivy to a wall, who commit immodesty of wearing those hideous garments which have long been man's gloomy prerogative, who find no inconsistency between lipstick on the face and axle grease on their hands, but they will be mothers of real men."

Mr. Menzies remarked that the enemy had abandoned the old chivalries which gave a certain decency and dignity to battle and had done his best to breed hate in the hearts of millions of British people who entered the war without hate. He has made war not with a soldier against soldier, but with bomb and mine against women, old men and children.

"He has exceeded the worst barbarism of the past, and has with a sickening hypocrisy sought to glorify it as a new order for which the world has waited."

OUR TASK
Mr. Menzies begged Britons to cast from their minds any idea that the death of Herr Hitler would change all and that the German people themselves do not stand for Herr Hitler's ideas and methods. "Our task is not to overthrow one man but to scourge

out of the German nation the foul spirit which has possessed them for generations. "Against Herr Hitler" and his German millions, trained, courageous and well-equipped stand the British countries of the world and, in a vital sense, the United States. The battle for civilisation is on."

AUSTRALIAN ENVOY TO CHINA
SYDNEY, May 4 (Reuter)—"I hope to be able to make an announcement regarding the appointment of a Minister to China at an early date," declared the Minister of External Affairs, Sir Frederick Stewart, who added that the Government has been giving consideration to the matter.

U.S. ENVOY
CHUNGKING, May 4 (Reuter)—The retiring United States Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson who has spent 33 years in China, is going the rounds of dinners and receptions in his honour given by Government leaders and public organisations.

"I shall return to China and I shall carry China with me wherever I go," he declared.

SQUADRONS FROM ABYSSINIA
LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—South African fighter and bombing squadrons have now arrived in Egypt from Abyssinia.

VOLTAIRE LOST
LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The Admiralty announces that the armed merchant cruiser Voltaire, which is overdue, must be considered as lost. The Voltaire is the former Lam-overthrow one man but to scourge

WBA SIGNAL OF NAVY

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—"Stop! Don't lower the boats. Don't scuttle. Don't use the radio. If you disobey I open fire."

That is the meaning of the signal "WBA" in International code which British warships henceforth will make to enemy ships.

At the request of the Admiralty, a warning to this effect was broadcast to the world by British stations yesterday.

CHUNGKING RAIDS

CHUNGKING, May 4 (Reuter)—Five persons were killed, 11 injured and 50 houses demolished in yesterday's raids on Chungking. Fires were put quickly under control, states an official communique.

Sixty-three Japanese aircraft in two groups participated, the first group comprising of 54, and the second group of nine bombers. After dropping more than 200 bombs, the raiders disappeared to the east.

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H.K. VOLUNTEER ORDERS

(CONTINUED FROM SATURDAY)

No. 4 Company.—Mon, May 5, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Company parade according to programme. Tues, May 6, Recruits and those detailed from classes 9 and 10. Murray Parade Ground, 5.15 p.m. Wed, May 9, Hongkong men, H.Q. 2 p.m. Kowloon men, Star Ferry Kowloon, 2.30 p.m. Half day training. Dress—Battle Order. S.D. cap, cardigan to be carried in haversack. Fri, May 9, Murray Parade Ground, 5.15 p.m. Recruits and those detailed from Classes 9 and 10.

No. 5 Company.—Mon, May 5, Kowloon Railway Station, 2.15 p.m. Dress as before. Fri, May 9, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. (1) 1st period. Rifle Instructions. (a) Aiming; (b) Correct firing positions. 2nd period M.G. Sections. T.A. 3rd and 4th positions. L.C. Sections. Reasoning causes of stoppages cured by I.A.

No. 6 Company.—Tues, May 6, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. T.O.E.T. (Contd.) Fri, May 9, (i) No. 21 Pm. K.C.R. Station, 2.15 p.m. (ii) No. 22 Pm. H.Q. 2 p.m. (iii) Dress—Boots, puttees, hose-tops, shorts, shirt-sleeves, S.D. cap, webbing equipment, waterbottle, haversack, mess tin, knives and fork. Sun, May 11, Rifle casuals at Kowloon City Range and L.G. casuals at Stonecutters Range. For particulars see last week's Orders.

No. 7 Company.—Mon, May 5, H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Miniature Range. Fri, May 9, H.Q. 2 p.m. Half day training. Sun, May 11, Stonecutters and Kowloon City Ranges. L.G. and Rifle casuals as detailed. Dress as ordered.

Army Service Corps Company.—Sun, May 4.—Sun, May 10 inclusive. Transport and Supplies Sections on duty as detailed under Company arrangements. Dress as ordered. Daily duty officer as detailed. Thurs, May 8, Supply and Transport Sections. Lecture, practical mechanics. Dress—Overalls and S.C. caps. Transport will leave Queen's Pier at 5.20 p.m. Sun, May 11, Kowloon City Range, 9 a.m. Those detailed. Casuals course. Dress as ordered. Appointment.—Sgt. J. G. Meyer will perform the duties of C.Q. M.S. during the absence on leave of C.Q.M.S. Cuthill w.e.f. 15.41.

Field Ambulance.—Wed, May 7, H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, jacket, short puttees, hose-tops, boots webbing belt. Pay Section.—Thurs, May 8, Comd. H.Q. Sub-Sec. I. Dress—Uniform. Fri, May 9, Comd. H.Q. Sub-Sec. II. Dress—Uniform. Fortress Signal Company.—Wed, May 7, Exchange Bldg. 4.15 p.m. Island Communication.

Appointments and Promotions.—Sgt. J. T. Dupuy, 5th A.A. Bty, to be B.S.M. 25.41; Sgt. Hazara Singh, Special Gd. Coy., to be C.Q.M.S. 17.441; Cpl. Haram Singh, Special Gd. Coy., to be Sgt. 17.441; Cpl. Peraz Khan, Special Gd. Coy., to be Sgt. 17.441; Pte. Khazan Singh, Special Gd. Coy., to be Cpl. 17.441; Pte. Ahmed Khan, Special Gd. Coy., to be Cpl. 17.441; Sgt. L. J. Cave, A.S.C. Coy., to be Pte.

Transfers

L/Cpl. E. Tuck, from A.S.C. Coy. Res. to A.S.C. Coy. 28.441; L/Cpl. H. V. Pearce, from A.S.C. Coy. Res. to A.S.C. Coy. 28.441; Pte. L. J. Cave, from Pay Section to A.S.C. Coy. Gnr. C. B. Burgess, from 2nd Battery to Corps H.Q. 30.441; Lieut. T. P. Sanderson, from No. 2 Coy. to Corps H.Q. 25.41; Pte. J. P. Buckley, from Mob. Coln. to A.S.C. Coy. 34.441; Pte. P. A. Dunnett, A.S.C. Coy. Res. to A.S.C. Coy. 30.441; Gnr. Paul Wu, 3rd Battery to Unit Reserve, 25.41; Pte. Lee Chong-dim, from No. 7 Company to Corps H.Q. 25.41.

Leave

Gnr. D. Lyen, 1st Bty, 28.441-25.41; Gnr. C. Arnulphy, 2nd Bty, 17.441-18.541; Gnr. R. H. Blake, 2nd Bty, 24.441-13.541; Gnr. H. H. France, 2nd Bty, 25.441-4.541; Gnr. F. M. Garcia, 3rd Bty, 28.441-25.41; Bdr. P. F. dos S. Xavier, 3rd Bty, 12.841-22.641; Gnr. F. L. Rocha, 4th Bty, 15.441-14.541; Gnr. Young Koon-yuk, 4th Bty, 24.441-29.441; Gnr. H. Tang, 4th Bty, 28.441-19.541; Gnr. G. H. Cautledge, 5th A.A. Bty, 21.441-20.741; Spr. W. L. Ramsey, 7th Coy. Engrs., 15.441-30.641; Spr. W. E. F. Hitchins, 7th Coy. Engrs., 25.441-21.841; Capt. F. A. Redmond, 7th Coy. Engrs., 5.541-23.541; Signm. W. O. Franklin, Corps Signals, 25.441-26.441; C.Q.M.S. V. C. Labrum, Corps H.Q., 5.541-6.841; Pte. V. A. Novikov, Mob. Coln., 7.441-6.641; Pte. G. Foulard, Mob. Coln., 11.441-11.541; Sgt. H. P. Hopkins, Mob. Coln., 16.441-15.441; 2/Lt. W. Stoker, 28.441-11.541; Pte. L. A. Dabesteln, Mob. Coln., 28.441-8.641; Pte. H. H. Andrews, Mob. Coln., 15.441-30.641; Pte. B. J. Brown, Mob. Coln., 25.441-11.541; Pte. A. Ostromoult, Mob. Coln., 17.541-16.841; Pte. V. Vorobioff, Mob. Coln., 17.541-16.841; L/Cpl. D. R. Holmes, No. 1 Coy., 28.441-4.541; L/Cpl. R. F. K. Jones, No. 1 Coy., 30.441-21.541; Pte. H. J. Cruikshank, No. 1 Coy., 15.441-30.641; Pte. K. S. Kjaer, No. 1 Coy., 5.541-25.541; Dmr. W. R. Forsyth, No. 2 Coy., 16.441-22.541; Pte. W. D. Fisher, No. 3 Coy., 15.441-31.541; Pte. S. B. Lutz, No. 2 Coy., 15.441-30.641; C.Q.M.S. R. E. Stott, No. 4 Coy., 23.441-29.441; Pte. P. M. N. da Silva, No. 5 Coy., 15.441-14.541; Pte. M. D'Al. Remedios, No. 5 Coy., 23.441-15.441; Pte. B. T. Gueano, No. 5 Coy., 23.441-8.541; Pte. P. J. Collico, No. 6 Company, 28.441-15.441; Pte. E. L. Ferreira, No. 6 Company, 24.441-25.441; Pte. J. E. V. Ribeiro, No. 6 Coy., 7.541-6.641; Pte. H. H. Morkenstern, A.S.C.

A.I.F. NEEDS 8,000 EXTRA MEN EVERY MONTH NOW

CANBERRA.—To provide reinforcements for A.I.F. divisions already in being, and to furnish personnel for the new armoured division being created, an average of 8,000 additional men for the A.I.F. will be needed in Australia every month.

This was revealed today as an objective of the new A.I.F. recruiting campaign after the Minister for the Army (Mr. Spender) had admitted last night there was a lag in recruiting and had appealed for A.I.F. volunteers.

Since the monthly quota of men now needed is equivalent to nearly 100,000 men a year, future maintenance of the existing A.I.F. establishment will make the full demands on the nation's available man-power, and will make it impossible for the Federal Government to form additional divisions.

It has already been agreed that no more A.I.F. units will be created.

The full demand on man-power is expected to come about June when, in addition to reinforcements for existing A.I.F. divisions, the recruiting campaign will be called on also to provide rank-file for the armoured division.

Officers and N.C.O.'s for this division have already been chosen, and are training, but the Government will not draft rankers to the division until officers' training is complete, in three months' time.

ALIENS MAY NOW ENLIST

The Federal Government will allow approved aliens living in Australia to take part in Australia's defence by enlisting in the Australian fighting services. Similar action has been taken in Britain and Canada.

Aliens who wish to enlist will be examined by officers of the appropriate services to guarantee their bona fides and to ensure their suitability for service. They need not take the oath or make an affirmation on enlistment, but in spite of this omission will be subject to the regulations of the service they choose.

The oath has been dropped because, in some cases, aliens might be penalised for taking it by their own Government. A national of the United States would lose his rights of citizenship for five years after taking the oath.

JORDAN RD. MOTOR COLLISION

Cpl. G. J. Fuller, of the 12th Heavy Battery, R. A., and a lady companion, riding pillion, were heavily thrown to the ground when the motor-cycle on which they were riding collided with a taxi at a junction in Jordan Road on Saturday night.

Both were admitted to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

NEW RULES FOR CONDUCTORS

Conductors of public motor buses and tramcars will in future stand at the rear end of their vehicles in the case of a double entrance vehicle, unless actually engaged in taking fares, or will stand at the doorway of a single entrance vehicle when the same is in motion.

An amendment to a regulation in the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912, governing this is notified in the Government Gazette.

Coy., 21.441-31.541; C.Q.M.S. G. H. Guthrie, A.S.C. Coy., 9.541-28.841; Capt. C. Baker, A.S.C. Coy., 10.541-10.941; Pte. L. A. da Luz, 7th Amb., 15.441-11.641; Pte. A. S. Potter, 7th Amb., 15.441-23.541; Capt. J. H. Lawrence, Res. of Officers, 15.541-14.542; Sgt. P. K. M. Patten, 3rd Bty., 7.541-27.541.

Strength Decrease

Signm. J. S. Rose, Corps Signals, 10.341; Signm. R. Tam, Corps Signals, 8.441; Pte. Q. A. MacFadyen, No. 1 Coy., 7.441; Gnr. V. G. Grott, No. 2 Coy., 29.441; Pte. Mohamed Nawaz, Special Gd. Coy., 25.41; Pte. Pala Singh, Special Gd. Coy., 25.41; Pte. Ghulam Mohamed, Special Gd. Coy., 25.41.

Strength Increase

Gnr. H. M. Campos, 4th Bty, 21.441 (Sgd.) E. N. THURSBY, Capt., Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.—Lecture.—Fri, May 9, A.R.P. H.Q. Happy Valley, 5.30 p.m. A.P.R. Lecture. Transport leaves Queen's Pier 5.20 p.m.

(Sgd.) I. M. S. BRADDE, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

Young Men Needed

PLEA BY ARMY MINISTER

CANBERRA.—The Minister for the Army (Mr. P. C. Spender) admitted for the first time, that the response to the latest A.I.F. recruiting campaign had not been wholly satisfactory and that there were signs of a slight lag in recruits.

Mr. Spender made an outspoken appeal to the young men of Australia to come forward as reinforcements for A.I.F. units already on war service.

Mr. Spender said he believed many prospective recruits were holding back in the hope of entering the armoured division. The nation needed their services immediately in other units.

Mr. Spender said that in the first phases of recruiting in Australia the response by young men had been spectacular and magnificent.

"Now we face a new and perhaps terrible phase of the war," he added. "We have been dealing out heavy and discomfiting blows to the enemy. We must expect him to strike back with all the strength he can command."

REINFORCEMENT URGENT

"He" and his friends are as yet far from beaten. It is essential that more and more men be drawn into fighting services so that we shall face whatever comes with our greatest possible strength and strike when we have to strike with the greatest possible force.

"Our troops in the field and those doing the vitally important military duties of home defence must from time to time have a steady infusion of reinforcements. We need more recruits now and shall need them in the future."

Mr. Spender said married men without families or with small families would be accepted and the Government hoped also that the militia forces would furnish him quotas of recruits for the A.I.F.

MODERN LARGE CARS

When the Southern Command announced it wanted to hire motor cars for training militia in mechanised warfare, it did not expect to get so many offers of car-well past their prime.

The Army emphasises that small cars are not wanted, and the only larger types dating since 1938 will be accepted. The period of hire is about a month. Details are available at the Southern Command, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne.

MORE ARTILLERYMEN

Recruits are needed for the Royal Australian Artillery Garrison for home service duties outside the Australian mainland. The men must be aged 20 to 45.

Men with experience in field survey are needed for full-time duties in Australia.

AUXILIARY NURSING SERVICE

The following candidates satisfied the examiners at the First Aid examinations held on April 2 and 23 and will receive the St. John Ambulance Association certificate in due course:—

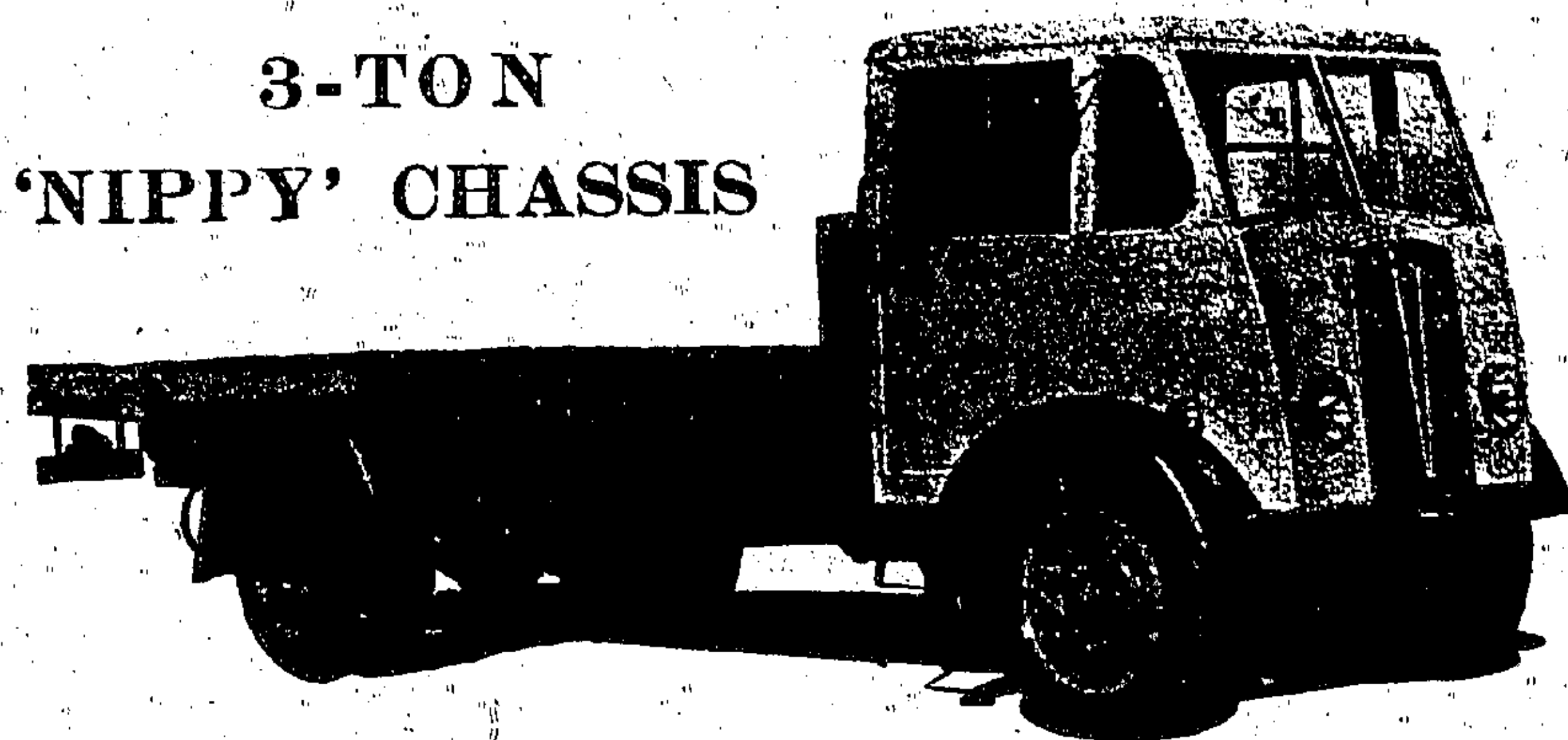
Florence Allison, Lucy Anderson, Marjorie Allison, Mary Baxter, Vivienne Blackburn (Medallion), Dorothy Brazier, Kathrine Brahm, Janet Crawford, Margaret Clark, Florence Cartwright, Elsie Dunbar, Winifred Deane, Jessie Holland, Esme Edwards, Eulalia d'Eon, Olga Ferrier, Alice Gibson, Freda Geyer, Leah Hawzett, Louisa Holloway, Jessie Holland, Edith Johnston, Henrietta Jernakoff, Mary Kallay, Jean Kerslake, Haseena Khan, Jessie Knox, Helen Kennedy-Skipiton, Irene Lopes, Clare Marsh, Emily Manou (Medallion), Lorraine Money, Frances Ogilvie, Karen Pugh, Dorothy Pepperell, Helen Probert, Dorothy Piercy (Medallion), Consuelo dos Remedios, Edith Rawlings, Bertha Remedios, Leah Robinson, Florence Robinson, Hilda Selwyn-Clarke, Edna Stenerson, Pearl Sung, Mabel Sully, Mona Turnbull, Ethel Wylie, Ethel Wilmer, Hannah Wittenbach.

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Determined Assault On The Defences Of Tobruk: Enemy Repelled With Huge Losses

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuter).—The enemy again made a determined effort against the defences of Tobruk on Friday, states yesterday's G.H.Q. communique.

Although a large number of tanks were employed, the British troops held their ground and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.

Before nightfall enemy pressure relaxed and no further efforts were made during Friday night.

In the Sollum area a British mechanised column, after making a wide detour, surprised a considerable body of the enemy. A number of prisoners were captured, together with a field-gun. In other sectors of this area British patrolling activities were continued.

In Abyssinia further progress has been made in the advance upon Amba Alagi.

WALDIA OCCUPIED

British columns operating from the north on Friday captured a commanding feature overlooking the main position, while the southern column occupied Waldia, 50 miles north of Dessie.

Thursday's Axis attack on Tobruk, which cost the enemy 11 tanks and heavy casualties, was followed by a further assault on Friday.

The enemy infantry were held up by our artillery fire from new lines of defence, with many casualties.

It is stated in Cairo that it is probably the defence of Tobruk which is holding up the enemy advance on the Egyptian border.

NAIROBI COMMUNIQUE

A communique issued in Nairobi states that the Imperial forces in

AUSTRALIAN WAR DRIVE

INDUSTRY CONTROL TO BE TIGHTENED

CANBERRA, May 4 (Reuter).—Strong in the determination to make the Australian Imperial Forces a highly equipped striking force, greater industrial efforts are to be made.

So that the maximum use is made of skilled labour, tighter control of industry is envisaged similar to the British system.

This will follow a form of revision of manpower, which is to be carried out throughout the Commonwealth.

To aid the flow of labour into armament manufacture, a check on reserved occupations is also expected.

The Australian Government is also vigorously pushing the recruiting drive. They are determined adequately to reinforce the Australian Imperial forces and also ensure a strong home defence.

FRENCH PETROL REFINERY BLAST

Plant Considerably Damaged By Flames

JERUSALEM, May 4 (Reuter).—A violent explosion caused considerable damage to a petrol refinery that the French mandatory authorities set up some months ago at Tripoli (Syria), says the correspondent of the Free French Agency.

The refinery was intended to deal with new petroleum stored in reservoirs at Tripoli, terminus of the pipeline from Kirkuk, in Iraq, and thus remedy the lack of petrol in Syria.

A great part of the refinery was destroyed before firemen, aided by soldiers, succeeded in mastering the flames.

The circumstances in which the explosion took place have given rise to talk of sabotage, the correspondent adds.

MORE WINE WITH MEALS

CANBERRA.—The Assistant Minister for Commerce (Mr. Anthony) warmly approved a promise by the New South Wales Premier (Mr. Mair) to ask the New South Wales Government to agree that approved restaurants should be permitted to serve unfortified wine with meals.

Mr. Anthony urged that a similar liberalisation of licensing procedure should be permitted in other States.

"Australia must decide whether or not she wishes to preserve her wine industry," Mr. Anthony said.

"The problem of disposing of the splendid wine we produce is a serious one and State Governments which administer the liquor laws can help in solving it."

"It seems strange to me that while Governments are spending huge sums in establishing settlers to grow grapes for wine, they are placing all sorts of obstacles in the way of its satisfactory disposal."

"Along the Murray River, in South Australia alone, more than 1,000 returned soldier settlers depend entirely on the growing of grapes for wine."

FINED FOR EXCESS MUNITIONS LOAD

Geelong.—The importance of having munition supplies delivered to factories, although certain laws might be broken in the process, was urged in the Court of Petty Sessions by George Bromley, Attorney-General, Geelong West, a driver employed by the Ford Manufacturing Co.

Bromley was charged with having exceeded the load limit of eight tons with a four-wheeled vehicle when driving on Princes Highway, near Lara. He was fined \$2.

Giving evidence, Bromley said he was told the load was about five tons. It was a load of munition supplies, necessary at the works, and he felt that such matters of overloading should be put aside at a time like the present.

Mr. Nicholas, P.M., said the bench was not concerned with that matter, which was one that should be taken up with Parliament.

SIX MEN STRIVE TO FREE NORWAY

Six daring, determined men are striving to regain for Norway the freedom she lost by the German invasion.

They have taken a solemn vow to restore King Haakon to his throne, and in the fulfilment of that pledge they are risking their lives daily.

Chief of this little group of Norwegian patriots is a former high officer in the Norwegian army. A first-class soldier, he fought against the Germans throughout the short-lived campaign last year; and, after the Narvik debacle, he made his way to Paris, and, eventually, to London.

Here he met some of his former colleagues, exiles like himself, and together they have laid the foundation of the freedom movement which is spreading rapidly through Norway.

At first the group had no settled plans; they were, however, united in their determination to free their country, and the leader undertook the perilous task of returning to Norway to investigate the chances of organised resistance.

POSED AS OFFICIALS
He found the people sullen and embittered against the Nazis, and their agent Quisling. Ripe for revolt, they were unorganised. The Gestapo were on the watch for any sign of rebellion.

After a few weeks' spent in travelling the country in one disguise or another, the leader returned to London, where he reported to his fellow patriots. It was then decided that each man should undertake a definite role in the work of creating a freedom movement, much on the lines of that which works so quickly and effectively in Germany.

One by one these men slipped into Norway. Some were ostensibly German sales agents; others were mere tourists. A few, greatly

daring, posed as minor Nazi officials.

Their credentials, apparently, were in perfect order, and they succeeded, without much difficulty, in establishing themselves in the chief towns and villages.

Their activities grew as the stubborn Norwegian spirit, shrewd itself in demonstrations against the Nazis.

All the arts of propaganda were employed to foster the hatred of the people. From passive resistance to active revolt is a big step, but already much has been done.

Production in factories under Nazi control has slowed down to a minimum. Acts of sabotage have wrecked many a first-rate plant. Farm produce commandeered by the Germans has unaccountably failed to reach its destination. Trained workmen appear to have lost their skill. Traders find difficulty in fulfilling the orders which the German army of occupation placed with them.

FILMS USED
That, however, is only part of the work which the Norwegian Freedom and Defence League has accomplished. By less direct methods it has encouraged the people to flout the Quisling Government.

Propaganda films find their way into the carefully censored programmes of the cinemas, apparently without the knowledge of the managements, who are profusely apologetic when an explanation is demanded.

Sometimes there is a "flash" from a British newsreel showing say, the exploits of the R.A.F. It lasts but a few seconds, but it has an electrical effect on the audience.

SCORES ARRESTED

Other picture houses favoured by German soldiers and officials and featuring Nazi films are boycotted. In some cases leaflets have been distributed in the streets urging the public to leave these cinemas to "Nazis—home and foreign—and prostitutes."

The Nazis are well aware of the danger of the movement, and the Gestapo is particularly active. Scores of arrests have been made in Oslo, Bergen, and Stavanger; many a victim has felt the full weight of German brutality. But the work goes on.

WIDOWS' AID URGED

Mr. Curtin Has Suggestions

CANBERRA.—Members of the Government and the Opposition applauded the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Curtin) when he made his second reading speech in support of the Child Endowment Bill in the House of Representatives.

Under the provisions of the bill there would be some correction of the glaring anomaly of large families suffering privations, said Mr. Curtin.

"The passage of the bill will mean far more than transfer of \$215,000,000 from the employer to the worker," he said. "It will mean a far better use of \$215,000,000."

The bill would give the first assurance of continuous payment to families and was nation-wide in its scope. It would apply to 1,000,000 children in 500,000 families.

FAMILIES OVER FIVE
"This is one of a series of social legislation the Government must regard as its duty to enact, rather than leave it to the States," Mr. Curtin said.

"I hope not one step will be retraced and that Governments will do nothing but widen the scope of the endowment provisions. The economic burden caused by allowance payments must never be regarded as insuperable."

Mr. Curtin said he would like to see special allowances for widows and their children. He would also like to see extra help given larger families, and hoped the minister would consider fixing a higher rate for the fifth, sixth and seventh child, than for the second, third and fourth.

Mr. Duncan-Hughes (T.A.P., S.A.) opposed the bill because he said he doubted whether it was constitutional. He contended social services were already on a high plane in Australia.

"We are in for a bad time, and standards of living will have to go. I see no alternative," he said.

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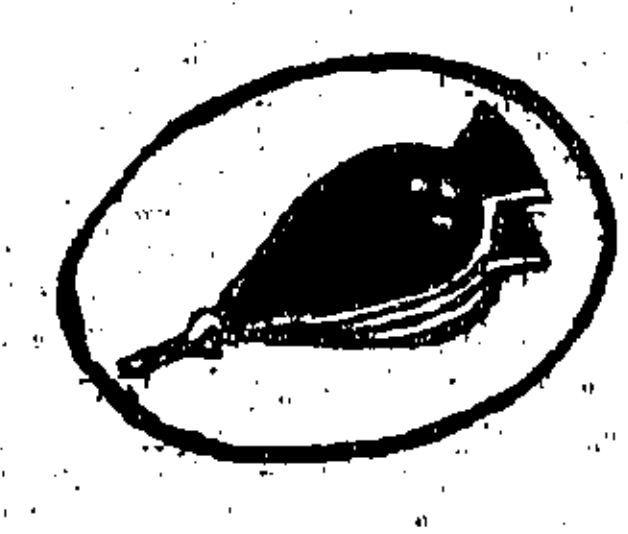
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...	H.K. Lands	\$31
...	Do. 4% Debentures	\$274
...	Shanghai Lands	\$124
...	H.K. Realities	\$2.90
...	Hampneys	\$6.70
...	Chinese Estates	\$89
Cotton Mills								
...	Ewo (S.)	\$37.75
...	Shai Cottons (S.)	\$200
...	Zong Sings (S.)	\$135
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	\$18.80
Public Utilities								
...	H.K. Tramways	\$74
...	Peak Tram (old)	\$32
...	Peak Tram (new)	\$32
...	Star Ferry	\$32
...	Y-mat Ferry	\$32
...	China Lights (O.)	\$6.85
...	China Lights (New)	\$1.40
...	H.K. Electric (Old)	\$24.00
...	H.K. Electric (New)	\$24.00
...	H.K. Electric (Ris)	\$12.65
...	Macao Electric	\$17
...	Macao Electric	\$12
...	Sandakan Light	\$13
...	Telephone (old)	\$22
...	Telephone (new)	\$84
Industrials								
...	Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.	75 cts
...	Cald. Macg. (Pref.) S.	\$15.00
...	Canyon Ice	\$64
...	Cementa	\$16
...	H.K. Bopex	\$297
...	H.K. Govt. Loans	\$244
...	4% Loan	\$24
...	5% (1934)	\$174
...	5% (1940)	\$44
Miscellaneous								
...	Dairy Farms	\$174
...	Entertainments	\$64
...	Constructions (old)	\$1.65
...	Constructions (new)	\$74
...	Lane Crawfords	\$2.15
...	Nanyang Tobacco	\$2.30
...	Sinceres	\$2.30
...	Watsons	\$2.30
...	Ch. G. & S. 1925 G.I.B.	\$2.30
...	J.K. Wing On	\$2.30
...	Shai Wing On	\$2.30
...	Vibro Piling	\$2.30
...	Marmans Inv. (Lon.)	\$2.30
...	Marmans Inv. (H.K.)	\$2.30
...	Wm. Powells	\$2.30
...	Lights Rts.	\$2.30
...	Sal. to Shanghai	\$2.30

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CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 3, 1941.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credit 4 months sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand	480
On Singapore:—	
On demand	62 3/4
On Japan:—	
On demand	102 1/2
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	82 5/8
On demand	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 3/4	
Credit 60 days sight 24 1/2	
On Batavia:—	
On demand	44 1/2
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credit 4 months sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand	103
On Manila:—	
On demand	47 1/2
On Bangkok:—	
On demand	149 1/2
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate ... Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz.	23 1/2

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Saturday, May 3.
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being steady with no business done. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.
The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402-1/2. New York-London was noted at 403-1/4.

MARKET

STERLING

The market closed with sellers at 1/3 up to June, buyers at 1/3-1/32 any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Business was done during the course of the morning at 24 1/8 for near and forward. The market closed with sellers at 24 1/8 for near and forward, buyers at 24 1/8 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 468 with business reported at 468 1/4 followed by transactions later at 467 3/4 and 467 1/2. The market closed with sellers at 467, buyers at 467 3/4 for Cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 3 1/3 3/4 and closed steadier at 3 7/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/8 and closed steadier at 5 3/16 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai May 3 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening	0/3-1/8
London	0/3-1/8
New York	5-1/8
Japan	21-3/4
India	17-1/4
Paris	nominal
Hongkong	20-3/4

Sterling

Opening	0/3-1/8
Spot	0/3-1/8
May	0/3-1/8
June	0/3-1/8

U.S. Dollars

Spot	\$5-1/8
May	\$5-1/8
June	\$5-1/8

Market: Quiet, but steady.
Silver Duty Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.
The Equalisation rate was 24-1/4 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, May 3 (Reuter).

Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 24-07-0.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, May 3 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2.

SILVER MARKET

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, May 3 (Reuter).

Market: Steady. Offtake 50 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 63-00

May 21 Settlement 63-00

June 20 Settlement 63-02

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, May 3, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	11.85	11.85	11.87	26 up
New York Rubber, May	23.83	23.35	23.30	53 up
Chicago Wheat, May	93 1/2	91	90	3 1/2 up
Chicago Corn, May	69	68 1/2	68	1 1/2 up
New York Hides, June	14.12	14.05	14.05b	.06 up

NEW YORK COTTON
May 11.84/55 11.81/81 27 up
July 11.87/57 11.83/83 26 up
October 11.86/87 11.88/88 22 up
December 11.86/86 11.89/89 23 up
January 11.62/61 11.87/87 25 up
March 11.63/63 11.86/88 23 up
Spot 11.78 12.05 27 up

Total sales Friday—608,900 bales.

The last trading day for May cotton is May 16.

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	23.58	23.13	23.13	43 off
July (New contract)	23.30/30	23.83/83		53 up
September	22.85/89a	23.27/27		42 up
December	22.55/55	22.95/95		.04 up

Total sales for the day—1,240 tons.

The last trading day for May rubber is May 27.

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	91 1/2/91 1/2	94 1/2/94 1/2		2 1/2 up
July	90 1/2/90 1/2	93 1/2/93 1/2		3 1/2 up
September	90 1/2/90 1/2	93 1/2/93 1/2		3 1/2 up

Friday's sales—8,026,000 bushels.

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	68 1/2/68 1/2	69 1/2/69 1/2		1 up
July	68 1/2/68 1/2	69 1/2/69 1/2		1 up
September	68 1/2/68 1/2	69 1/2/69 1/2		1 up

	High	Low	Close	Change
June	14.05b/10a	14.11b/15a		.06 up
September	14.16/16	14.20/23		.04 up

Total sales for the day—81 lots.

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	7.65	N	Closed	

The last trading day for May cocoa is May 22.

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	2.45b/48a	2.47b/48a		.02 up
July	2.45b/48a	2.47b/48a		.02 up

Volume of business done—266 lots.

The last trading day for No. 3 Sugar is May 23.

	High	Low	Close	Change
July	7.91b/80a	7.9b/79 1/2a		.00 1/2 off

The last trading day for No. 4 Sugar is May 1.

	High	Low	Close	Change
July	11.45b/50a	11.46b		.01 up

	High	Low	Close	Change
July	9.45/46	9.75/77		.30 up

	High	Low	Close	Change
September	9.12b	9.40b		.28 up

	High	Low	Close	Change
July	7.01b/04a	7.27/27		.26 up

The First Notice Day for September black pepper is Aug. 26 and last trading day is September 23.

	High	Low	Close	Change
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4	unquoted		
N.Y.-London Cross Rate	4.03-1/4	4.03-1/4		

N.Y. Official Silver 34-3/4 unquoted

N.Y.-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/4 4.03-1/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, May 2.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, after 1952) 103-11/16

Defence Loan, 3% 101 1/2

Antion-Ryton Rly. 5% 9 1/2

Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) 39

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925/41 38

Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908 40

Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912 20 1/2

Chinese 5% Renks. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.) 28 1/2

Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers) 7-9

Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan 48

Hankow Rly. 5%, 1911... 13

Hankow Rly. 5%, 1911... 11

Lung-Tsing & U. Rly. 5% 1913 9

S'hai-N'King Rly. 5% 14

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) 10

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.) 10

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 10

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 10

Jap. 4 1/2% Ster. Loan, 1924 20-22

Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924 5 1/2

Chartered Bank 8-11/16

H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Regd.) 70 1/2

H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Regd.) 78

Chinese Eng. & Mining (Pearce) 12 1/2

Chosen Corporation 4 1/2

Mercantile Bank of India 2 1/2, "G" 1 1/2

H.K. Stock Exchange

Saturday, May 3.

BUYERS

Providents, \$4.60.

Tram, \$18.

Entertainment, \$6.50.

Hotels, \$2.80.

Ropes, \$7.

H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan, \$4.50.

Docks, \$15.

SALES

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, \$270-5/8.

Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, \$287-1/4.

Market steady in spite of strong East pressure. Both buyers and sellers absorbing, pending development in United States; inventory control, whereby market believes Washington hopes depress prices towards United States reserve buying limit of fifty cents. After hours—10 tons at unchanged prices.

Pekin Syndicate 1/-

S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. 18/-

S'hai Waterworks "A" 15

Union Insurance 22

Gula Kalumpung Rubber 15/-

Lon. Mid. & Scot. Rly. 13 1/2

Great Western Rly. 34 1/2

National Bank of India 30 1/2

S-A. Tob (bearer) 85/-

Dunlop Rubber 32 1/2

Bristol Aeroplane 9/10 1/2

Imperial Chemical Ind. 29 1/2

United Steel 21/10 1/2

Woolworths 47/8

Maraman Investments 8/3

Western Holdings 9/9

Sub-Nigel 141/3

Shell Trans. & Trd. (bearer) 40 1/2

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MAY 4, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale May 3	STOCKS	Last Sale May 3
Adams Express	54	Kennecott Copper	32 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	20 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	31 1/2
Allis Chalmers	28 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	21 1/2
Amer. Can	79 1/2	Loew's Inc.	29 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	34 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	26 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	11 1/16	Montgomery Ward	31 1/2
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf.	16 1/2	National Aviation	7 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	11 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13
Amer. Metals Co.	15 1/2	National Distillers	18
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	6
Amer. Rolling Mill	13 1/2	National Supply Corp.	5
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	37 1/2	New York Central	12 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	15 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	2 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	150 1/2	N. American Aviation	12 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	67 1/2	North American Co.	12 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	4 1/2	Northern Pacific	6 1/2
Anacosta Copper	23 1/2	Packard Motors	24 1/2
Atchison, T. & S. Fe.	28 1/2	Paramount Pictures	11 1/2
Aviation Corp.	22 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	24 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	13 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	40 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	3 1/2	Pullman Inc.	24 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	9 1/2	Pure Oil	9 1/2
Bendix Aviation	35	Radio Corp. of Am.	31 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	69 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	14 1/2
Bliss & Co.	14 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	13 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	3 1/2
Borg-Warner	17 1/2	Republic Steel	17 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	18 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	28 1/2
Budd M'facturing Corp.	3 1/2	Schenley Distillers	8 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	31	Shell Union Oil	13 1/2
Celanese	20 1/2	Soco-Vacuum Oil	19 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	37 1/2	Southern Pacific	11 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	57 1/2	Southern Rly \$5 pfd.	24 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	23 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	28
Commercial Credit Co.	25 1/2	Standard Brands	5 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1	Stand Gas & Elec.	4 1/2
Consolidated Edison	19 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	36 1/2
Consolidated Oil	6 1/2	Studebaker Com.	4 1/2
Copperweld Steel	14 1/2	Swift International	18 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	8 1/2	Technicolor	8 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	66	Texas Corp.	37 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	139	Trans-American Co.	4 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	7 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	50 1/2
Elec. Autolite	25 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	10 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	2	Union Pacific	7 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	54 1/2	United Aircraft	38
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pf.	58 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	10 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	33 1/2	United Corp.	11 1/16
Flintkote	12 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	21 1/2
Gen. Electric	28 1/2	United Gas Improvement	7 1/2
Gen. Motors	37 1/2	U.S. Rubber	21 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	12	U.S. Steel	52 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	10 1/2	Vanadium	23 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	12 1/2	Vultee Aircraft	42 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	17	Walworth Co.	4 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	13 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	34 1/2
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	28 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	87 1/2
Great Western Sugar	22 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	26 1/2
Int Nickel	24 1/2	Chase National Bank	29 1/2
Inter. Paper & Power	13 1/2	National City Bank	25 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	2 1/2	Libby, Monell & Libby	—
Johnsman	57 1/2		

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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila.
* ONOF MARU Friday, 30th May
SAIGON
* TURUGA MARU Thursday, 6th May
BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.
* OKIFU MARU Sunday, 11th May
RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore
* TURUGA MARU Thursday, 8th May
* NAGATO MARU Wednesday, 28th May
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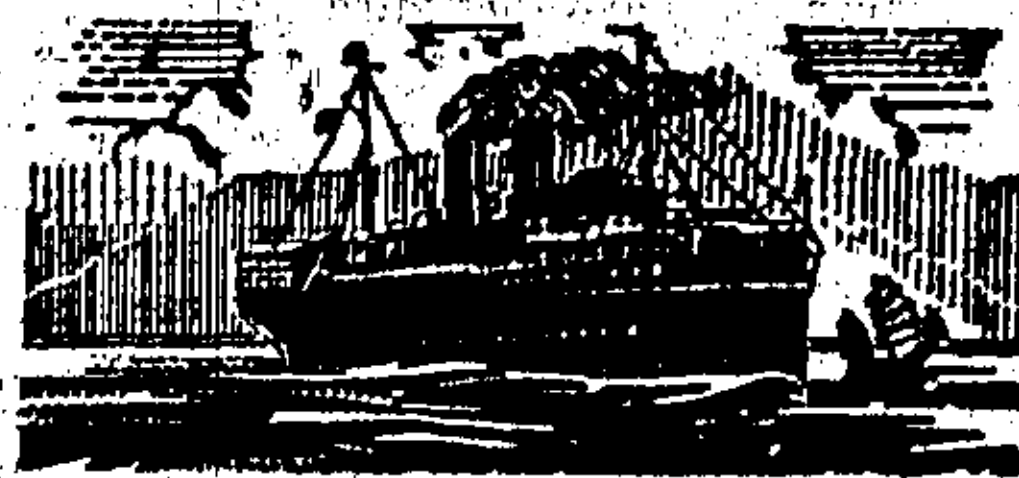
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SHOCKING JAPANESE OUTRAGE

A shocking Japanese outrage occurred near Lin Tin Island on Saturday when a junk was set on fire and the crew and passengers, numbering 13, were thrown overboard.

The only survivor, Pang Kan-chan, fook of the Hop Fat Company, was picked up by a passing vessel after almost 10 hours' drifting with an oar.

According to a report made to the Police by Pang, the junk left the Colony at 6 p.m. on Friday for Chungshan with a cargo of 800 bags of salt. After sailing for seven hours the vessel was captured by an armed Japanese trawler about a mile west of Lin Tin Island.

The cargo was ordered to be transferred to the trawler as also the crew and passengers. The junk was then set on fire. After witnessing the destruction of their craft the crew and passengers were made to "walk the plank."

ANOTHER JUNK ROBBERY

Money, totalling \$3,795 in Chinese currency and \$8,000 worth of firewood, was stolen from a junk in British waters on May 1 by six armed pirates.

Cheung Kau, master of a cargo junk, reported that while sailing near Fuk Kim Tau, British waters, about 5 a.m. on May 1 they encountered a robbers' junk.

Six pirates boarded the craft and robbed him of \$1,595 Chinese currency and another fook of \$2,200 Chinese currency. After having transferred the cargo to their junk, the marauders sailed away.

KIANGSI CAMPHOR FOR EXPORT

The first consignment of camphor, important Kiangsi native product, has been packed and is being transported to Hongkong for export.

Camphor is produced in Kiangsi in abundant quantities. As a result of the introduction of a new refining process, the quality of the product has also been greatly improved.

Meanwhile, the Kiangsi authorities have established a factory for the manufacture of sulphuric acid in order to develop chemical industry in the province. (Central News)

INDIAN FACTORY CONSTRUCTION

SIMLA, May 4 (Reuter)—The Provincial Government has been empowered to require that all factories, which may be constructed in future, should have certain structural features as to reduce to a minimum the damage that can be done by air attack.

The powers will be particularly used in respect to new factories of real importance to the war effort or economy of the country.

SIMLA, May 4 (Reuter)—The Raj has declared Greece, with the exception of Crete, enemy territory under the Defence of India Rules for the purposes of trading.

NAGPUR, May 4 (Reuter)—The Governor of the Central Provinces has announced that 50 per cent. of all contributions to the Governor's War Purposes Fund will be devoted henceforth for the benefit of Indian troops serving abroad.

NO LIMIT TO EMPIRE'S PART IN WAR OF AIR

CANBERRA.—The objective of the Empire Air Training Scheme—to produce 50,000 air crew from the Empire—was not fixed and in this total war effort would be total, the Minister for Air (Mr. McEwen) said in a review of the progress of the Royal Australian Air Force.

"On this 20th birthday of the R.A.A.F. I can say that it is without peer in any land," he said.

There were more men in one large Air Force training establishment in Victoria today than comprised the entire R.A.A.F. in September, 1939, said the Minister, and 167,000 men had volunteered for service.

More than £40,000,000 would be spent on the Air Force this year compared with £135,000 in the first year of its existence. Present commitments under the Empire scheme approached £80,000,000.

"This year Australia's contribution of trained men will be of such a scale as to have an important influence on the trend of the air war," he added. "For every pilot, observer and gunner trained before the war we are turning out 100 today."

"From two in 1921, Air Force establishments had increased to 80."

POST OFFICE REVENUE AMENDMENT

An Ordinance to amend the Post Office Ordinance, 1926, is notified in the Government Gazette.

This Ordinance may be cited as the Post Office Amendment Ordinance, 1941 and the Post Office Ordinance, 1926, is amended by the addition of the following subsection to section 38 of Ordinance No. 7 of 1926:

In the case of a conviction involving a fine the court or magistrate inflicting such fine may direct, on the application of the Postmaster General or other officer conducting the prosecution, that any part not exceeding one half thereof shall be paid to any person who has given such information as has led to the conviction of the offender or offenders, or, if there are more than one such person, may direct such part to be divided amongst them in such proportion as the court or magistrate may direct.

In setting out the objects and reasons, the notification further states that it is considered that a provision of this nature is necessary to prevent the loss of normal postal revenue and to secure that postal packets do not escape censorship.

POLICE REPORTS

Mr. T. Lock, of No. 11, Dragon Terrace, has reported the theft of a jacket from his car while parked outside the Colonial Secretary's Office, P.W.D. Building, on Friday.

Mr. J. Jay, of the American Express Company, reported that a pair of spectacles, valued at \$15, was stolen from his office on Friday.

An avalanche of some 15 tons of stone and rocks fell on and killed two stone-breakers at Shek Kip Mi Village, Kowloon, on Saturday morning.

BURNING JUNK

According to a report by the master of the s.s. Tai Pat 8, a burning junk was sighted in Lat. 22 deg. 23' North and Long. 114 deg. 44' East on Friday.

REVOLUTIONARY INNOVATIONS PLANNED FOR MERCHANT NAVY

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The lot of the British seaman will be revolutionised by far-reaching changes likely to be made shortly in the Merchant Service, states Reuter's Shipping correspondent.

It is believed that the main innovations planned under the Ministry of Labour Regulations are:

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NAZI BLOCKADE RUNNER

"Lech" Believed To Have Been Scuttled

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The fate of the German blockade runner cargo steamer Lech, 3,290 tons, is at present a mystery.

The Lech arrived at Rio de Janeiro on March 3 from Bordeaux with a cargo of chemicals and aeroplanes after running the British blockade. Her Captain, Friederich Brinkman, boasted that "Germany delivers the goods" and declared that the Lech would remain in Rio until the end of the war.

The Lech, however, was reported to have left Rio five days ago for Bergen with a valuable cargo and according to New York Maritime sources she was intercepted by a British auxiliary cruiser off Bahia, Brazil, and sunk. It is believed that she scuttled herself.

Official Brazilian and British circles in Rio de Janeiro are unable to confirm this report.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 5 to 11 May 1941.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HONG KONG		HONG KONG	
		Standard Time	Height	Standard Time	Height
Mon.	5	05 08	4.3	07 08	4.1
Tues.	6	15 07	5.8	23 07	1.8
Wed.	7	05 47	4.8	10 47	3.9
Thu.	8	16 37	5.6	23 58	1.9
Fri.	9	06 26	5.1	—	—
Sat.	10	17 58	5.8	19 14	3.3
Sun.	11	07 01	5.6	04 44	1.9
		19 13	5.1	13 17	3.5
		07 40	5.2	01 52	2.0
		20 17	5.8	14 03	1.6
		08 18	5.7	02 04	2.1
		21 18	5.5	14 58	1.1
		08 57	7.2	02 39	2.2
		22 14	5.4	15 43	0.6

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Cash SweepsThe following are the cash
sweep results of the Macao Race
meeting held yesterday:—

RACE 1

No. 226 \$318.40
No. 356 90.90
No. 36 45.50
Ticket Nos. 147 and 193 get
\$25.20 each.

RACE 2

No. 369 \$284.00
No. 18 75.40
No. 74 37.70
Ticket No. 594 gets \$20.90.

RACE 3

No. 136 \$292.10
No. 84 83.40
No. 102 41.70
Ticket No. 314 gets \$46.30.

RACE 4

No. 387 \$295.70
No. 163 84.50
No. 118 42.20
Ticket No. 358 gets \$48.90.

RACE 5

No. 04703 \$7,494.98
No. 11052 2,141.42
No. 16883 1,070.71
Ticket Nos. 04142, 01502, 23890,
08469, 10344, 03201, 09011, 22436,
15260, 20471, and 21106 get \$108.15
each.

LAWN BOWLS

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F. J. A. Marques, A. F. Noronha,
J. A. Remedios (Skip) 15. Total
64.H.K.C.C.—J. D. A. Morrison, P.
S. Cassidy, L. J. Davies, G. E. Cos-
tello (Skip) 15; L. A. R. Duncan,
G. G. Aitkenhead, T. R. Rowell, F.
Goodwin (Skip) 20; R. R. Davies,
E. Hosper, R. A. Edwards, A. W.
Brown (Skip) 18. Total 53.

THIRD DIVISION

H.K.F.C. 3-2

At Happy Valley, Hongkong Foot-
ball Club beat Kowloon Football
Club by 3 points to 2.H.K.F.C.—E. Casey, J. M. Thom-
son, J. I. Barnes, P. C. Morgan
(Skip) 16; B. A. Mansell, B. I.
Bickford, S. H. Strange, C. F. Need-
ham (Skip) 22; P. P. Anslow, A. G.
Gratton, F. Flippance, J. Russell
(Skip) 17. Total 62.K.F.C.—B. Williams, C. Frost, Y.
Abbas, J. T. Smalley (Skip) 19; C.
Cross, B. Thomson, A. MacIntyre,
R. Ogden (Skip) 14; C. Woodcock,
S. C. Wong, C. Fuller, B. Evans
(Skip) 21. Total 54.

POLICE LOSE

At Happy Valley, Indian Recrea-
tion Club beat Police Recreation
Club by 2 rinks with 1 drawn and
aggregate (44 points to 41
points).P.R.C.—C. Gough, R. C. Fitches,
A. J. Johnstone, F. Channing
(Skip) 15; J. Hayward, R. Mac-
kenzie, J. R. McWalter, J. C. Aitken
(Skip) 16; W. Howell, G. Davies,
J. Riddell, J. MacDonald (Skip) 14.
Total 45.I.R.C.—M. B. Hassan, A. S.
Sufflad, A. H. Madar, A. M. Wahab
(Skip) 24; M. A. Wahab, M. U.
Razack, A. G. Sufflad, A. O. Madar
(Skip) 25; B. el Arculil, J. M. Ram-
jahn, U. A. Ramjahn, S. M. Rum-
jahn (Skip) 14. Total 63.

RECREIO 3-2

At Chater Road, Club de Recreio
beat Hongkong Cricket Club by 3
points to 2.H.K.C.C.—P. Morrison, D. J.
Valentine, E. S. Doughty, W. A.
Cornell (Skip) 20; H. B. L. Dow-
biggin, W. R. Lambert, A. S. Mit-
chell, E. S. Abraham (Skip) 23; J.
C. Haig, L. E. N. Ryan, J. B. Gil-
ray, A. McKellar (Skip) 14. Total
57.Recreio.—F. Sequeira, J. O. Re-
medios, H. M. Xavier, M. A. Car-
valho (Skip) 15; G. A. Pinna, O. A.
Marques, M. F. Pinna, P. A.
Yvanovich (Skip) 16; L. A. Rozario,
F. A. R. Alves, M. Mendonca M. F.
Alarcon (Skip) 29. Total 60.

CRAIGENGOWER LOSE

At Happy Valley, Kowloon Bow-
ling Green Club beat Craigengower
Cricket Club by 2 rinks to 1 and
on aggregate (4 points to 1).C.C.C.—W. J. Curd, F. Lee, C.
W. Lam, N. Karanjia (Skip) 22; E.
J. Todd, A. Kitchell, F. K. Modi,
J. Pan (Skip) 18; L. M. Roza, M.
A. Baptista, F. X. Delgado, A. J.
Coelho (Skip) 16. Total 53.K.B.C.C.—W. M. Wilson, S. C.
Walker, L. A. Jordan, K. C. Hamil-
ton (Skip) 23; J. A. Fraser, Sir A.
MacGregor, E. V. Searle, H. Nash
(Skip) 23; G. Levett, C. E. Langley,
J. S. Dinneen, G. E. F. Thompson
(Skip) 14. Total 60.

SERGEANTS' MESS WIN

The Sergeants' Mess, H. K. V. D.
C. beat the Kowloon Cricket Club
by 60 shots to 54, in a friendly
lawn bowls match at Cox's Path
yesterday.

VALLEY TRAINING TIMES

The following times were clocked during the training gallops
held at Happy Valley on Saturday morning:—

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Last Qr.
Bendigo	1	35.3	1.09.1	1.37.3		28.2
Hascossay	1	34	1.02.3	1.30.4	1.58.2	27.3
Vanguard	1	40	1.12.2	1.41.2	2.10.3	29
Brown Derby	1	39.3	1.17.3	1.54.1	2.27.4	33.3
Derby Day	1	38	1.10	1.37.4		27.4
Swallow	1	32	1.03.2	1.31.2		28
Casino	1	35	1.08.2	1.41.2	2.11.4	30.2
Peaceful View	1	33	1.03	1.34	2.06.3	32.3
Just in Time	1	33.2	1.07	1.40.1	2.15.1	35
Dashing Beauty	1	33.2	1.03	1.32	2.00.2	28.2
Battle	1	33.4	1.06.1	1.35.4		29.3
Endeavour	1	32.2	1.01.4	1.31		30.1
Sydney Lady	1	35.3	1.10	1.40.2		30.2
Schmetterling	1	31.4	1.01.2	1.29.1		27.4
Cocklerol	1	33.2	1.04.3	1.33		28.2
Tropical Love	1	41.2	1.18.4	1.48	2.17	29
Miss Chalfont	1	34.2	1.07.4	1.38.2		
Hopeful Star	1	38	1.14.2	1.47.3		33.1
Graceful View & Starlight View	1	32.3	1.05.4	1.34.2	2.03.3	29.1
Buckfastleigh	1	34	1.10	1.44	2.18	32
Roofly	1	31.3	1.04	1.35.2	2.04.4	29.2
Income Tax	1	34.2	1.05.4	1.36.2	2.04.4	28.2
Cheerful Star	1	35.2	1.06.4	1.37	2.09.1	29.1
Hughber	1	45	1.28.3	2.03	2.35	32
Sports Lady & Trade Wind	1	38.2	1.12	1.44.3	2.14	39.1
Sydney Diamond & War Tax	1	34	1.05.3	1.34.3	2.03.4	29.2
Corvette	1	38.3	1.10.2	1.41	2.10	21
Prairie View & Misty View	1	35	1.08.2	1.37.2	2.06.1	28.4
Odin	1	37	1.11	1.43.1	2.13	29.4
Shuttlecock	1	30.2	1.01	1.30.1		29.1
Twinkling Star	1	34	1.05	1.35	2.02.4	27.4
A Blossom Time	1	41	1.15.2	1.47.2	2.17	29.3
High Hat	1	34.3	1.07.4	1.36		28.1
Boat Bay & Oscar Zulch	1	35.3	1.09.2	1.41.3	2.20	38.2
Odeon	1	37	1.14	1.47	2.19	32
Riverside	1	41	1.15.1	1.47	2.15.1	28.1
Surprise Again	1	34.1	1.04.4	1.33.4	2.01	28.1
Advancing Time	1	34.2	1.08.2	1.41.2	2.12.4	31.2
Wonderful Scheme	1	39.3	1.18	1.50.1	2.23	32.4
Willow	1	35.1	1.07.3	1.38.1	2.07.2	29.1
A Happy Time	1	38.3	1.10.4	1.43.3	2.15.4	32.1
Amber II	1	38.1	1.14	1.48.4	2.15.3	28.4
Musketier	1	35.3	1.10.2	1.43	2.16	33
Fleetwing	1	38	1.11	1.40		29
Emergency Unit	1	35	1.13	1.46.1	2.18.1	30
Quick Despatch	1	34	1.05.1	1.33.2		28.1
Viceroy	1	37.1	1.10	1.43	2.10.2	27.2
Criffel	1	41	1.18	1.53.1	2.26.1	33
Daylight	1	31	1.01	1.31		30
Harmony Star	1	38.2	1.11.2	1.44.2	2.15.2	31
Man O'War	1	34.4	1.07.1	1.36.2		28.1
Radio Decided!	1	37.2	1.14.2	1.45.4	2.14	28.1
Bendemeer	1	39.3	1.11.2	1.43.1	2.11.3	28.2
Forehand Drive	1	32.3	1.04.3	1.36.2		31.4
King Kong	1	3.44	1.08	1.40		32

BROADCAST TO
POLISH PEOPLE

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"Their bearing has won them
universal admiration in this
country and cast a further
lustre on the proud traditions
of Poland."After paying tribute to the
leadership, energy and unfaltering
confidence of General Sikorski,
Mr. Churchill said that Polish pi-
lots, by their prowess have gained
a glorious part in the repulse of
German air hordes. Meanwhile
Polish sailors have been earning
the respect and high regard of
their comrades in the Royal Navy
and Merchant Marine with whom
they are sharing the task of main-
taining those contacts with Ameri-
ca and with the outside world
through which they will come the
liberation of their country.

KNOW BETTER

The presence of the Polish Gov-
ernment and the armed forces in
Britain had enabled us to get to
know each other better and to
build a foundation for Anglo-
Polish relations after a common
victory and the restoration of Po-
land's freedom.All over Europe, races and states
whose culture in history have
made them a part of the general
life of Christendom in centuries
when the Prussians were no better
than a barbarous tribe and the
German Empire no more than a
conglomeration of puppet-nickel
principalities, are now prostrate
under the dark and cruel yoke of
Herr Hitler and his Nazi gang.Every week his firing parties are
busy in dozen lands. On Monday
he shoots Dutchmen, Tuesday Nor-
wegians, Wednesday Frenchmen or
Belgians stand against the wall,
Thursday it is the Czechs who
must suffer and there are Serbs
and Greeks to fill his repulsive bill
of executions.But always, all the days there
are the Poles atrocities committed
by Herr Hitler upon the Poles
which exceed in severity and scale
of violence anything perpetrated
by Herr Hitler in any other con-
quered land.

NEVER DESPAIR

To the Poles in Poland who are
bearing the full brunt of Nazi op-
pression, Mr. Churchill said: "We
send you our message of hope and
encouragement tonight, knowing
that the Poles will never despair
and the soul of Poland will re-
main unconquerable. This war
against the mechanised bar-
barians who are slave-hearted
themselves and are fitted only toHOME RUGGER
SCORESLONDON, May 4 (Reuter).—The
following are the results of Home
rugby matches played yesterday:—

LEAGUE CUP

Semi-final

Leeds 10, Bradford Northern 10;
Halifax 11, Wakefield Trinity 2.

FRIENDLY

Huddersfield 45, Hull 17.

PIRATES TAKE
OYSTERSEncountering a robbers' boat at
sea, Chan Ming, oyster breeder, was
robbed of \$380 worth of oysters and
oyster oil and was put ashore with
arms bound.According to a report made by
the victim, he sailed with two clan-
smen from Sha Tseng Village, Po
On, on board junk No. 1532 with
the cargo, for Lau Fau Shan, on
Saturday.About 11 p.m. the same day when
they were about three-quarters-of-
a-mile from Lau Fau Shan a
strange boat drew alongside. Four
robbers, one armed with a pistol,
boarded the junk. They were or-
dered to row to Nim Wan where
they were put ashore with their
arms tied.One of the clansmen jumped into
the water and escaped. The vic-
tim and the other man succeeded
in freeing themselves later and
walked to Shs Tseng village.carry their curse to others—this
war will be long and hard, but the
end is sure."The end will be the reward
for all the toil, all the suf-
fering in those who faithfully
serve the cause of European
and world freedom.""The day will dawn, perhaps
sooner than we now have the
right to hope, when the insane at-
tempt at Prussian domination,
racial hatred, the armoured
vehicle, the secret police, the alien
overseas and the still more filthy
quailings, will pass like a mon-
strous dream and in that morn-
ing of hope and freedom, not only
the embattled, and at last the
well-armed democracies, but all
that is noble and fearless in the
new world as well as in the old
will salute the rise of Poland to
be a nation once again."

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, MONDAY, 5th MAY, 1941.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal
regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intend-
ed for persons other than the addressee.The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China
is temporarily suspended:—Yunnan
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Hunan
Fukien (except Amoy and Kulansu)
Kwangsi
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INWARD AIR MAILS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Ser- vice"—San Francisco date, 28th April.	5th May
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Ser- vice"—San Francisco date, 6th May.	13th May

OUTWARD AIR MAILS

For	Date and Time
MONDAY	Mon. 5th K.P.O. Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans- Atlantic Service".	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 9th K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".	G.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
TUESDAY	Tue. 13th K.P.O. Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans- Atlantic Service".	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

Empire Forces Occupy
Basra Dock Area

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information that the Iraqi Minis-
try of National Defence called all
doctors of military age to report
for service, and also that the 1916
class of reservists will be called to
the colours next Tuesday.British women and children eva-
cuated from Iraq, have been arriv-
ing in Haifa by air since Friday.The opening of hostilities in Iraq
follows an intensive and carefully
prepared campaign of Nazi in-
trigue, states Reuter's Special cor-
respondent.The arrival of British troops at
Basra on Apr. 18 finally forced
Rashid Ali to show his hand dis-
closing that the Iraqi Administra-
tion, which effected a military
coup d'etat on Apr. 1, had a secret
agreement with Berlin and Rome.It was evident in respect of the
Anglo-Iraq Treaty that, never-
theless knowing Rashid Ali was
secretly negotiating with Ger-
many, the British authorities and
the services in Iraq took necessary
precautions to save their interests
in the event of a possible dis-
turbance.

LEADERS HESITANT

There was, however, a possi-
bility of trouble in the Iraqi Army
since a number of military leaders
are known to have hesitated to
support Rashid Ali.When further contingents of
British troops arrived at Basra,
Rashid Ali, on instructions from
Berlin, refused to allow them to
land and ordered most of the pro-
German group of Iraqi troops in
Baghdad to concentrate round
Habbaniyah—as the British Am-
bassador had already warned
Rashid Ali—a clash became in-
evitable.

MORE TROOPS

BERLIN, May 4 (Reuter).—A
further 33,000 British and Imperial
troops landed in Iraq and other
reinforcements are coming from
Trans-Jordan, states the German
News Agency quoting a source in
Rome.

LORD BEAVERBROOK

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got things done, and that is what
we want most now."Mr. Montague declared that Brit-
ish and German aviation produc-
tion was now practically the same
and now another important de-
ficiency had to be made up. All
through the war the British had
been deficient in the matter of
tanks and it was now suggested
that Lord Beaverbrook's first
task would be to increase tank
production as he had done aero-
plane production.Mr. Montague next referred
to questions which had been
asked in the House of Com-
mons recently on the subject of
food control. None of the members
said that the British people were
going hungry but what they had
to complain about was profiteering
in certain essential food."We do need more control of the
distributive end of